

FRANKLIN BOROUGH
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes 10/ 20/ 2021

Meeting called to order 7:05 p.m.

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Statement of Compliance (as read from the agenda)

Attendance: Present- Phillip R. Crabb- Chairman, Connie Cholminski, Donald DeVore, Jeffrey Garrity, Charles Postas, Sr., Judy Williams, , Dr. Earl Verbeek- Advisory, John Postas entered 7:55 from another meeting. **Absent:** John Sowden, Mayor

PRESENTATION: no presentations scheduled.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of 9/15/21- motion by C.Postas,/D.DeVore, passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: No bills at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE: The only correspondence relates to old business

OLD BUSINESS:

A. William Penn Foundation Grant- Knowledge Advancement- Phil Crabb shared three email correspondences read into the record dated September 15, 2021, October 4, 2021, and October 7, 2021.

The first, dated September 15, 2021, is to Lindsay Tucker So and Hillary Murray from Phil Crabb to the William Penn Foundation for initial consideration of the proposal to refurbish to original specs the former Hungarian Church.

The second, dated October 4, 2021, was an email response from Barbara Scace (William Penn), indicating the proposed work is not eligible for funding. It explained they were focused on the Philadelphia area, but provided other resources to pursue.

The third, dated October 7, 2020, was an email response from Tom Jones indicating that the foundation source announcement does state that Sussex County, NJ is included, and he would investigate it further. He also advised to continue with the Kirby Foundation.

B. Kirby Grant- The FBHC will be researching the Kirby Foundation for grants and reaching out to Tom Jones for guidance as we continue to work with William Penn.

C. Discussion of Historic District Definition

There has been a detailed review of the entire Franklin Borough Historic Significance Zoning Map by the Historic Commission the last few months. There have been categorical concerns which have been reviewed and discussed.

Motion by D.DeVore/second by Jeff Garrity, to approve the Franklin Borough Historical Significance District map and submit the same to the Mayor and Council and the Planning Board. Roll Call: all affirmative votes from Connie Cholminski, Judy Williams, Jeff Garrity, Don DeVore, Charlie Postas, and Phillip Crabb. Passed unanimously.

The package will now be sent to the Mayor and Council and the Planning Board.

APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD: none

APPLICATIONS TO BE CONTINUED: none

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS: none.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.** Franklin Borough GIS Project- Sussex County will work with Franklin. It is desired to develop mine coordinates as well as three dimensional locations of ore and minerals. It also can be used for technical locations of specific locations such as the “hot and cold” and “sliding rock”. Costs are not determined at this time.
- B.** Discussion on creating a borough video through the help of professionals. More discussion will follow at the next meeting.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION: Motion by C.Postas/P.Crabb to open to public
Motion by J.Postas/J.Garrity to close to public. No public in attendance.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Dr. Earl Verbeek shared some information and possible communication that his wife has through an industrial artist on a project that might be of interest to the FBHC.

Adjournment- motion by J.Postas, second by J. Garrity. Adjourned 8:05. Next meeting planned for November 17, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Williams

Judy Williams/ FBHC secretary