

**Historical Commission of Birmingham Township  
Minutes of the meeting of January 22, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Birmingham Township Historical Committee was called to order by Chairperson, Mike Forbes at **7:15 pm** in the township building.

PRESENT: HC Members: Mike Forbes, Kelly Fleming, Jeff Janofsky, John Ponticello

ABSENT: Matt Bedwell

Others present: Dan Hill, Doug and Kate Marshall

Mr. Forbes made a motion to approve the minutes from the October/November 28, 2018. Mr. Janofsky seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Election of Officers for 2019**

Mr. Ponticello made a motion for Mr. Forbes to be the Chairperson for 2019. Ms Fleming seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Forbes made a motion for Mr. Janofsky to be the Vice Chairperson. Ms. Fleming seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Application 1001 Meetinghouse Rd. for extension of roof line of shed (HR#18)**

Mr. Marshall presents the proposed plans to extend the roofline to their existing shed. He also presented old photographs showing that the building used to have a second story about 80 years ago. They contracted with a structural engineer (David Weightman at Downingtown Engineering Consultants) to verify that the current posts could hold the existing and proposed load. The current structure is 16 x 24 feet. They are proposing to add an additional 16 feet constructed from cypress wood with a standing seam metal roof. The new structure will not have side and will in essence be a run-in shed with a gravel floor.

Mr. Forbes asked if the notifications were sent to the neighbors within 500 feet, per the ordinance requirement. Ms. Boorse indicates that the notices were mailed and that the applicant produced return receipts for 4 of the 6 items that were mailed.

Mr. Forbes asked if the Marshall's have already applied for a permit to begin this work. Mr. Marshall indicated that the permit application is still with HARB as they did not render a decision at their January meeting and instead continued it until February.

Mr. Forbes answers the questions to the required HC Form during the meeting.

Ms. Marshall notes that this addition is easily reversible, if in the future someone wanted to remove it.

Mr. Forbes made a motion to recommend the BOS accept the application to modify the existing shed located at Historic Resource #18 per the proposed drawings/application submitted by the Marshalls. Seconded by Mr. Ponticello. Motion approved unanimously.

**New Business**

Jeff Taylor is in attendance to present and request that the Birmingham Township HC assist again with the 25th anniversary walking tour in conjunction with Radley Run. This year they are also planning to

have Pocopson and West Bradford townships participate. During the previous walking tour, Birmingham township had to add a special rider to the insurance policy to cover the event; Birmingham township also provided safety assistance from the police force. In addition, Jeff is requesting that Birmingham township assist with the marketing of this event.

Mr. Forbes made a motion to recommend that the BOS endorse this proposal. Mr. Ponticello seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Mr Taylor will plan to attend the BOS meeting to make a presentation also.

Mr. Janofsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. Seconded by Mr. Forbes and voted unanimously. The next meeting will be February 26, 2019 at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Boorse  
HC Secretary