# Historical Commission of Birmingham Township Minutes of the meeting of May 24, 2022

The regular meeting of the Birmingham Township Historical Committee was called to order by Chairperson, Mike Forbes at **7:05 pm** in the township building.

PRESENT: HC Members: Mike Forbes, Kelly Fleming, John Ponticello, Patricia Kelly

ABSENT: Matt Bedwell, Dan Hill

### **Review and Approve Prior Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Forbes made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 26, 2022 meeting. Mr. Ponticello seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## Review feedback at last Board of Supervisors Meeting regarding Historic Preservation Ordinance

The Supervisors were planning to review both the Historical Commission's and Chester County Planning Commission's comments at their May 2nd meeting, however, due to Chairman Scott Boorse being absent, the topic will now be discussed at the next Supervisors meeting on June 6th.

### **Brandywine Battlefield Historical Marker Next Steps**

Ms. Fleming announced that the contract was approved and signed by the Board of Supervisors at their last meeting, so there is now a fully executed contract with the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution and its Color Guard. The next step is to put in an order with sign wording and get a proof. Ms. Jeannine Spears mentioned to Ms. Fleming that it is important to be clear on pricing to ensure the cost will be under the \$3,000 grant amount.

Ms. Fleming provided a breakdown, and at this point due to recent inflation, the cost will be slightly over budget at \$3,280.60, which includes an estimate of \$500 for shipping from Erie, PA. As the \$500 is only an estimate, Mr. Forbes stated he would like to advise the Supervisors via the minutes that the cost may or may not exceed the budget of \$3,000 by \$280.60.

Ms. Fleming offered to reach out to Ms. Spears to see what other townships have done regarding high shipping costs.

#### **New Business**

Mr. Frank Rupp, owner of the Dilworthtown Inn properties, along with the new tenants of the old Innkeeper's Kitchen, Rich Landau and Kate Jacoby, attended tonight's meeting to introduce themselves to the Historical Commission.

Mr. Forbes made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27pm. Seconded by Mr. Ponticello and voted unanimously. The next meeting will be June 28, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melissa Urbany HC Substitute Secretary