



West Chester Historical Commission Meeting

401 East Gay Street, West Chester, PA 19380

Room 240 – Borough Hall

November 18, 2021 – 7 PM

Meeting Agenda – In person meeting

A. Call meeting to order -

B. Public comments on items not on the agenda -

C. Approval of minutes – September 16, 2021 - There are no minutes for October because of the lack of a quorum due to a phone malfunction. (Present: Everett Butcher, Sandy Hall, Kora Stahl & Tom Walsh – Absent with notice and could not phone in: Chris Lang, Eric Lorgus, Catherine Quillman & Sandra Ram)

D. Introduction of guest(s) -

E. Chair report –

1. CLG Grant update – Data is being loaded into the state system (Approximately 4000 records by the end of the.)

2. 339 West Gay Street (Request from Sue Moran, Planning Commission regarding demolition plans)

3. Rite Aid, 13 East Gay Street (Request from Chris Schiefebein, Firefly Graphic, Inc – Mesa, Arizona.)

4. Borough of West Chester 225th Anniversary in 2024 & 225th Anniversary of the USA in 2026. Committees and seed money. Will make brief report with handout at the December 8th Smart Growth Committee Meeting.

5. Yearend report for December with distribution to Council in January

6. Projects on hold.

a. Still trying to arrange for the return of all items to Ann Morgan Oas .

b. Gay Street School Project – **(Tom still needs to reach out to Fugett family)**

c. Virtual meeting with Cory Kergarise, West Chester Planning Commission and HARB on Tuesday, February 23. Topic: *Zoning & Preservation*. Received items from Catherine Quillman and awaiting material from Chris Lang. Tom will still need to contact the Planning Commission and HARB.

d. CCHPN Leadership Luncheon on Saturday, April 10 – We still need to obtain the demolition ordinances from East Brandywine and Schuylkill Townships plus obtain East Brandywine presentations and share with Commission.

F. Vice-Chair Sandra Ram

1. Social Media -

2. Interns -

G. Committee/task reports and updates:

1. Heritage Trees – Kora Stahl –

2. Humphry Marshall Project – Chris Lang (see written report)

3. Chester County Courthouse and Gnomon – Jonathan Hoppe & TiJa Butcher – Tom has previously contacted Becky Brain of the County Commissioners office on behalf of the project committee and have been working on other County projects. **(On hold.)**

4. Juneteeth 2022 – Everett Butcher (comments on Shaw Memorial Rededication)

5. Chestnut Street Parking Garage/Raymond Rettew Project – Eric Lorgus - **(On hold until 2022)**

H. Other member's reports or comments

1. Kora Stahl –future Bayard Rustin program by Florence Miller **(to be determined)**

2. Tom Walsh Local History Presentation – future - Bayard Rustin program with Mitchell Crane **(to be determined)**

3. Other Local History Presentations – **(We will discuss early fall.)**

I. Old business –

J. New Business –

K. Announcements and adjournment –

1. We have one Board vacancy.

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY: December 16,2021 at 7 pm - AGENDA DEADLINE: SATURDAY, December 11,2021.

BOROUGH COUNCIL: Smart Growth Committee meets on December 8, Council Work Session is December 14 and Council Voting Session is December 15.