



## **Minutes: Historical Commission Meeting**

**March 2, 2023**

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The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Historical Commission was held on March 2, 2023 starting at 9:00 AM.

**Board Members:** Carrie Wetherbee, Charisse Fallon, Bob Huffman, Ken Johns, Pat Francis, and Supervisor Annette Atkinson.

**Public:** Sonny Murray

**Liaison:** Holly Dennis

### **Approval of Minutes:**

- Ken Johns made a motion to approve the February 2023 minutes as presented. Charisse Fallon seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Pat Francis arrived after the motion.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:** Sonny Murray was present and gave a brief history of his family.

### **New Business:**

- **Vacancy-** Deborah Emin has resigned from the committee, so there is now a vacancy.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Notable Residents- Residents/Biographies/Family Tree**

- The committee met and recorded interviews with Bob Huffman for two sessions to get his life story and history. More work sessions will be scheduled in the Spring.

#### **Marshalls Creek Explosion State Marker**

- No current updates.

#### **2023 Topics/ Memory Makers**

- MCHA Annual Meeting with Chief Daniel Strongwalker Thomas from the Delaware Nation tribe. The Township is reaching out to him to see if he is available to be the guest speaker for Memory Makers.
- Committee will continue to do research.
- Discussion about the location of Memory Makers and whether or not people who do not qualify for Memory Makers can be charged for admission.

### **Announcements:**

- David Pierce former Pocono Record employee has written a book on Tock's Island.
- Women's History Month Exhibit at Community and Cultural Center the month of March. Opening Reception Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5 pm- 7 pm.
- Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 10am- Worthington Family presentation at the Shawnee Inn.

**Next meeting date:** April 6, 2023 at 9 am

## Adjournment

- Charisse Fallon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 am. Pat Francis seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Dennis

Historical Commission

Recording Secretary