



West Vincent Township Historical Commission  
Meeting Minutes for September 10, 2025 (Approved 10/8/2025)

**Commission Members in Attendance:** Kate Farnham, Chair; Bob Wise, Vice Chair/Acting Secretary; Suzanne Bender; Peter Benton (via phone). Absent: Stephen Foley

**Township Supervisors in Attendance:** Dana Alan

**Historic Resource Committee Members in Attendance:** Cindy Clark, Isabelle Travaglini

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

**Special Action:** Sara Shick Remembrance and Moment of Silence. Ms. Alan suggested township look into some sort of memorial for historians and important township people, or the planting of a tree or daffodils.

**Approval of Minutes:** August 13, 2025, Minutes prepared by Stephen Foley: Ms. Bender motions approval, R. Wise seconds; minutes approved unanimously.

**Applications:** No new applications.

**Old Business:**

1. **Butterscotch Cafe Conditional Use Application:** The proposed parking lot improvement will not be made; remove from list.
2. **Ludwig's Corner Horse Show:** Proposed digital sign. Commission discussed proposed video sign and found no issues; remove from list.
3. **Proposed Cell Tower - 1451 Pughtown Road:** Concern was expressed about lack of National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consulting; Ms. Farnham will continue to check with township on status of Section 106 involvement and attend ZHB meeting.
4. **Bennett Farm Conditional Use Proposal:** Public Hearing postponed until 10/6/25. Open Space Committee reached out to Mr. Benton to coordinate plan review. Mr. Benton is concerned about historic landscape. Mr. Wise said he will look into potential archeological sites on the property (possible Lenape settlements).
5. **Birchrun Road Bridge:** No new information
6. **Griffith Farm:** Repair to springhouse has been made. Discussion ensued regarding memo to Board of Supervisors from Historical Commission regarding the future of the property and options to preserve it. Ms. Alan said it may be difficult to sell given land requirements in place but also it is not a priority right now for Supervisors.
7. **Historic Resource Inventory Revisions:** Ms. Clark and Mr. Wise presented the revised inventory, which is now complete. Mr. Wise will send to Historical Commission members for review, then discuss implementation strategies. We will also ask Township to check all addresses and tax parcels.
8. **1245 Schoolhouse Lane:** House appears to be getting rehabilitated. Mr. Benton will contact owners for status.
9. **Township Barn:** No movement
10. **3070 Horseshoe Trail:** Township has informed owner that debris must be cleaned out by 10/1/25.
11. **Bertolet School Bridge:** nothing to report; remove from list.

**New Business:**

1. Ms. Alan discussed the postponement of Sustainability Summit.

**Reports:**

1. Board of Supervisors: Mr. Wise attended Board of Supervisors meeting, nothing to report.
2. Historic Resources Committee: Ms. Clark and Ms. Travaglini continue to work on the Sheeder information. They are also moving collected historic information to township server. They are also updating property information in the present binders by moving it to the cloud. Ms. Clark etc. will give a workshop on the cloud. Also, they have asked that any photos of Bryn Coed be sent to Ms. Clark.
3. Park: Ms. Alan suggested putting QR codes for additional information on signage.

**Business from Floor:** None

**Adjournment:** Ms. Bender motioned, Ms. Farnham seconded; meeting adjourned at 8:21PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Wise

