



West Vincent Township Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes for April 08, 2026 (Approved May 13, 2026)

Commission Members in Attendance: Kate Farnham, Peter Benton, Bob Wise, Suzanne Bender, Stephen Foley

Township Supervisors in Attendance: Dana Alan

Historic Resources Committee Members in Attendance: Cindy Clark (Township Historian), Isabelle Travaglini (Township Historian Emeritus)

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Kate Farnham

Approval of Minutes:

March 11, 2026 Minutes prepared by Stephen Foley: Motion for Approval by Peter Benton Wise, Bob Wise seconds. Motion carries unanimously. Peter Benton questions regarding application review. Stephen & Bob to be added to the review committee.

Applications:

A. Bennett / Toll Mid-Atlantic

- a. Bob Wise is to refine letter regarding impact study & historic concerns. Upon approval, letter to be sent to Tommy and applicant.
- b. Kate attended Planning Commission meeting, neighbors are upset about development plans. Planning Commissioners were concerned about trails not extending to 401. Toll is resistant towards recommendations. Historical Commission to make a response by April 20, 2026.

B. Pulte Conditional Use Application, Pottstown Pike / Lexington Blvd / Birchrun Rd

- a. BOS had a public hearing regarding engineering & design. The hearing wasn't completed and will be continued at next meeting May 4, 2026. Historical Commission to make recommendations regarding historic architectural detailing.

Old Business

A. Birchrun Rd. Bridge Replacement:

- a. HC needs to send letter out and reach out to political representatives to follow up with PennDOT.

B. Ordinance Revisions: Inventory update:

- a. Bob has current list of WV Historic Inventory.

C. Joint tour with East Coventry Township

- a. Peter Benton contacted Cathy Subick, waiting to hear back.



New Business

- A. Township Historian Presentation: Historical Information on Cloud Server. Township Historian Cindy Clark provided an overview of the Historical Information folder on the township cloud server and how to access it.
- B. Township Historian: Sheeder Mill bridge plaque to be installed on E. Vincent side of bridge
- C. Township Historian: Township contracted firm (Acer Associates) for ground penetrating survey of graves at Vincent Baptist Church Cemetery, tentatively scheduled to do the survey on 4/27/2026.

Reports

- A. Committee Liaisons KF: PC; PB: OSC, HRC; SB: ZHB; RW: BoS, SF: EAC – Assigned liaison roles to continue
- B. Township Historian Report (reporting provided in tandem with the cloud server discussion)

Business from the Floor

- A. Application regarding a proposed sign at Ludwig's Corner Fire Department for adjacent apartment complex.
- B. Art Miller's farm at Pughtown & St. Matthews, roof peeled off.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 9:28 pm upon motion by Suzanne Bender and seconded by Bob Wise. All HC members approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Foley

