



West Vincent Township Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2026 (Approved July 8, 2026)

Commission Members in Attendance: Kate Farnham, Peter Benton (by Phone), 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:

April 08, 2026 Minutes prepared by Stephen Foley: Motion for Approval by Suzanne Bender, Kate Farnham seconds. Motion carries unanimously. Peter Benton questions regarding application review.

Applications:

- A. Bennett / Toll Mid-Atlantic
 - a. Kate sent a letter to Barbara Frederick at State Historic Preservation Office.
- B. Pulte Conditional Use Application, Pottstown Pike / Lexington Blvd / Birchrun Rd
 - a. Kate attended the BOS 2nd meeting. No historical concerns raised.

Old Business

- A. Birchrun Rd. Bridge Replacement:
 - a. No movement
- B. Ordinance Revisions: Inventory update:
 - a. No movement
- C. Joint interpretive initiative with East Coventry Township
 - a. Peter Benton contacted Cathy Subick, waiting to hear back regarding the date.
- D. Ground Penetrating Radar at Vincent Baptist Cemetery
 - a. Postponed. Waiting for a new date.

New Business

- A. No New Business



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)
 - a. Monuments have been paid for (\$4,574.00) and are to arrive around July.
 - b. June 17th Fellowship Trail to open.
 - c. Isabelle is planning a display at Township Building for 250 recognizing the Revolutionary period.
 - d. Thank BOS for the purchase of a small family graveyard off Route 100.
 - e. New information in the cloud regarding Birchrunville Historic District.
 - f. Larry Stone donated historic books

Business from the Floor

- A. Stephen initiated discussion about the lack of Historical Commission presence on the township website along with the lack of clarity regarding the process of submitting a project for review. Examples were presented showing design guidelines that may be considered.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 8:25 pm upon motion by Suzanne Bender and seconded by Kate Farnham. All HC members approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Foley

