

South Londonderry Township Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes for Monday January 11th, 2016, 7:00pm

Presiding:

Members Present: Rugh Henderson, Bill Stoffel

Members Absent: Faith Bucks; Susan Bucks, Peter Gluszko; Maria Pichini, Chairperson,
Sid Hostetter, Lois Matarazzi, Secretary; Cindy Skinner

Maria,

At last night's meeting in the meeting room in the township building, Rugh Henderson and myself Bill Stoffel were in attendance. We did have a very interesting and stimulating conversation about several things, two of which are worthy of mentioning to you for the unofficial or official record.

One was in way of a suggestion for the South Londonderry Township Historical commission to consider joining or asking to be accepted into their existing and very successful Mt. Gretna Area Historical Society. If this works out for everybody great, if not at some later time a separation can be made once again and turn back into the South Londonderry Township Historical Society. We are not in my humble opinion not making any great progress at this point and perhaps this is still another way to consider continuing on for the time being. Again this was a thought put forth by Rugh and I for one believe it has merit. Enough so to consider and discuss it at the February meeting. The second idea which was discussed originated from a communication I received from Shawn Arbaugh, our new township manager, a copy of which I did remember to send to you for your perusal. He indicated in the communication that new round of negotiations would need to take place in order to procure the "Old Mill" site. Again Rugh Henderson thoughtfully commented on this topic and suggested that the township and the S.L historical commission not give up or give in on its request for the existing building on the site and the old mill site itself both of which will be needed by the township and for the commission to carry out its meetings and begin the long process of restoration. Considering there is on this site already electricity, water and sewerage. Receiving in the trade or swap only a part of this structure, it would not be possible to work at all without having a base of operations for some time. The Township needs to be informed of the support of the commission in this matter and encouraged to keep attempting to persuade by negotiation or political persuasion with the Game commission to stick to the agreed upon deal and not back out of their end of the proposal with a unacceptable new swap. That was about the extent of the profitable end of the meeting.

Bill Stoffel reporting .

Keep this letter for the records and to show we did meet in part, but not in the whole of the committee.

Next Meeting Monday, February 8th, 7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Matarazzi