

# Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee – Meeting Agenda – Monday March 6, 2017

## Pledge of Allegiance

Sunshine Statement - Notice of this meeting has been sent to two newspapers of general circulation in which notice was given of the date, time, place and general agenda in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act

## Meeting Minutes – Barbara

Social Media and Correspondence – Lori/Chris (BHS Questionnaire – 18 submits) (FB 920, up 18) (284 email)

Lori – email address to update BlairstownHistoric gmail account. – Chris will pass.

Chris – Thank you letter to 10-31 for displays.

## Financial Report, BHPC Operating Budget – Chris

- BHPC 2016 – Table overlay (\$300) – looking for business with NJ Business Certificate - Karin
- BHPC 2017 – Budget request \$5,910 – Steve

## Upcoming Events and preparations:

- March 8, Wednesday – 8:00 at NWR Cafeteria  
DWG NRA National Park Service – Public Meeting on Historic Properties Management
- March 29, Wednesday at 7:00p.m. At Rutherford Hall, Joan Salvat historian lecture on the Morton/Rutherfords.
- April 22, Saturday - Appalachian Trail – Community Day – Walking tour of Main Street.
- May – History Month?
- May 21, Sunday – Warren County Preservation Day at Van Nest Hoff Vanetta Homestead – 10-4
- June 24, Saturday – Blairstown High School Alumni banquet – Chris to speak
- July 4<sup>th</sup>, Tues – Footbridge Park
- Aug EMS day – date TBD
- October 13<sup>th</sup>, Fri – Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>
- October 28<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – BHPC Fall walking tour
- December Jingle on Main – date TBD

## Ongoing Business:

- BHPC Banner – Initial banner returned. In process of reordering.
- Recap of presentation to Blair Women's Club – Chris
- BHPC attendance policy – 8 out of 12 meetings per year. This is as previous BHPC had established. Review of member attendance.
- BHPC recommendations for Blairstown Township grant writers – Newspapers, Lime Kiln, Footbridge, Signage, Gravel Hill Cemetery, Repository, Slave Burial Ground, RR Model Display, Footbridge.
- Blairstown Appalachian Trail Day – Wick attended meeting, letter
- 10-31 pedestal work complete and delivered. Cornerstone now on display!
- Branigan Shelving Unit – to be restored for utilitarian purpose. **Need sub committee.**
- Fireproof safe donation update – supply purchase – Wick
- Carter wedding dress – researching textile restoration – Teri Harvey / Dave / Lori
- Archive computer program update and costs – Wick, Chris – Appointment rescheduled MCHS
- Blairstown Press Newspaper restoration – Meeting Thursday, March 30th
- Walking tour brochure holder – affix BHPC ID and distro – group distro in March.
- Heavy dump truck and passenger bus traffic on Main Street – Township Subcommittee

## New Business from Committee

DAR Award at BES – Barbara

Blairstown Township's website address: <http://www.blairstowntownship.org/>

BHPC to submit update to town clerk for website.

Township Newsletter.

## Comments from the public

Tabled business – See page two (backside)

**Next meeting Monday, April 3, 2017**

**Adjourn**

**Tabled business for future review (no new updates – from page one)**

- Press book/binder – organization, record keeping
  - Land Use Board collaboration – Barbara, Wick, Chris
  - Ticket Booth at Footbridge – display narrative, pictures, layout – to be done.
  - Boy Scout – BHPC to mentor a troop #140 boy scout for Eagle Scout merit. Chris
  - Boy Scout – Blair student to achieve Eagle Scout merit via BHPC project
  - Theo – New Flyers - 4 fold walking tour. Two-sided glossy
  - Footbridge to be put on State and National Registry of historic places.
  - Historic building demo - Demolition Review - Establish criteria, survey of historic homes in township and propose establishment of demolition review period. *Construction – Permit process.*
  - How to help historic district property owners maintain historic properties.

**Current Research and Update for plaque project:**

- Blair Place Plaque – Location confirmed. Draft being edited.
- Blairstown Elementary – Permission granted and location confirmed. Post mount. Draft in process.
- Blairstown Diner – Contacting for permission.
- Footbridge Park – Post mount, draft in process. Location to be at 94 entrance.
- Old Mill Rework: Draft in process