



East Pikeland Historical Commission Meeting Minutes November 15, 2017

Attendees: Jim Garrison, Joanne Moser, Kehl Rothermel, Barbara Ray, Bob Friebel, Jon Gayl, and Molly Ruzicka
Not in Attendance: Kris Jommersbach
Guests: David and Karen Moyer, homeowners

The HARB meeting commenced at 7:00 pm.
The meeting agenda was presented to the members and the following issues were discussed:

GENERAL

- The minutes from the October 18th meeting were presented and approved.
- **Snyder's Mill** – Mr. Garrison informed the Commission that three contractors showed up for pre-bid meeting. He will keep members apprised of bids that are submitted. The goal to have selected bid submitted to the Board of Supervisors by their December meeting and contractor secured by the end of the calendar year.
- **CLG:** Mr. Garrison will write a letter on the Commission's behalf to comment against some of the regulation changes being proposed by the PHMC that would negatively impact municipalities. Letter is due 12/5/17.

NEW

- **David Moyer /958 Spring City Road** - The applicant came to the Historical Commission requesting a demolition permits for their circa 1875 bank barn for the second time. Two structural assessments from the firms: The Foundation for Historic Building Rescue, Inc. and Daniels Consulting Engineers, LLC were presented supporting their request. Photos and structural assessment reveals significant damage to the left stone gable end wall ("bulging -2 feet out of plumb") along with other structurally deficient conditions making it cost prohibitive to save this barn. The estimate of a minimum of \$200,000 to stabilize the structure was given. Discussion regarding: review of zoning ordinance requirements, salvaging stone and timber and method of demolition between the owners and the HC members ensued. Resolution: All members agreed there is a significant systemic masonry problem to this bank barn structure. The owners have met the basic requirements outlined in the East Pikeland Zoning Ordinance to prove demolition is warranted. After discussion, the Historical Commission members voted to approve the demolition request application.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.
The next meeting will be December 20th at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne T. Moser
Vice Chair - Historical Commission