

Minutes December 21, 2021
Upper Merion Township Historical Commission

Date: **Tuesday, 12/21/2021 at 7:30 PM** (Virtual Meeting)

Name	Present	Regrets	Name	Present	Regrets
Laura Adlington	X		Matt McCaffery	X	
Kenn Brown	X		Dave Montalvo	X	
Eileen Council	X		Tina Smith	X	
David Dolga		X	Greg Philips		X
Pat Jordan	X				

Meeting began 7:35PM

Motion to approve Minutes from October meeting made by Dave and seconded by Matt.
All approved; Motion Passed

Motion to approve Minutes from November meeting made by Eileen, seconded by Matt.
All approved; Motion Passed

Welcome to new Commissioner, Laura Ware Adlington

1) Reorganization, Election of new officers—motion to move this to January 18, 2022 meeting made by Tina, seconded by Matt, all approved; motion passed.

2) America250PA guest speakers Jaclyn Victor, Director of Partnerships & Engagement America250PA and Marissa Gioffre, Director of Projects & Programming, America250PA gave an overview of the mission and vision for America250PA and the relationship with townships, counties, and national organizations.

--The Historical Commission reviewed the draft of a Resolution for UMT BOS to approve allowing UMT to officially become a member of America250PA.

--Motion to send the request for a Resolution to BOS made by Eileen, seconded by Tina, all approved, motion passed.

3) Oral History Project

--Presentation and overview of research presented by Eileen. This included the identifying components of this project, preparation, mission statement.

--Suggestion to narrow the focus, seek an advisory board from the community, identify budget for the project.

--Discussion of interview style, training, resources needed, research, how to introduce this project to our community.

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4. Historical Commission webpage on UMT website

Motion to table this discussion to January, 2022 made by Matt, seconded by Laura, all approved, motion passed.

5. Historical interest displays:

--Community Center --planning for Spring 2022

--Matt and Tina met with Dan Russell, Director, Parks and Recreation.

--Dan provided information on display areas, as well as interest in developing programs about history.

6. Moore-Irwin House

--Matt had a conversation with Geoff Hickman, Director of Public Works regarding replacing the tarp on the Moore-Irwin house and on the content of the Murray report.

--Discussion indicated that both of these items were the decisions of the BOS.

--Motion made by Matt to request a copy of the Murray Report emailed to members of the Historical Commission by January 1, 2022. Dave seconded the motion, all approved, motion passed.

7) Hanging Rock area, S. Gulph Rd markers:

--Dave Dolga not present to update.

8) Rebel Hill PHMC marker project

--Motion to table update and discussion to January 18, 2022 meeting made by Tina, seconded by Dave, all approved, motion passed.

9) List of 20 historical properties in Upper Merion Township for advisement to BOS from the Historical Commission:

--Information from Pat on several of the properties

--Suggestion for al to review the identified "top twenty" properties.

--Each member would then find information and updates and write a draft of an advisement for that property.

--Agreement to use the template that Pat forwarded to members.

10) Update on application for Moore-Irwin house considered by Saving Places sponsored by National Trust for Historic Preservation—no new information as yet.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Matt, seconded by Laura. All were in favor, motion to adjourn passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Items tabled:

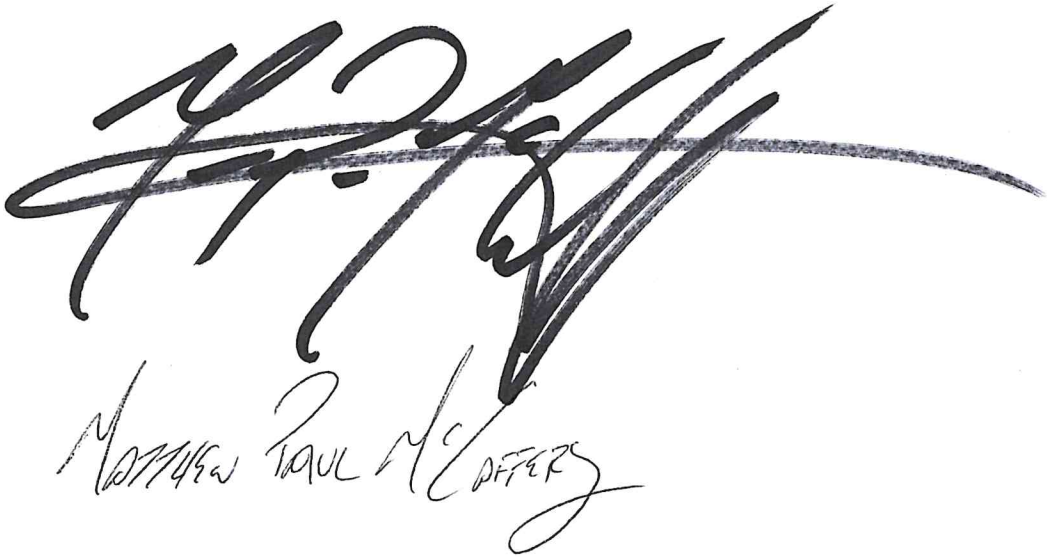
1) Diversity Project with UMT Library

2) James Toner resume re Historic Preservation, architecture

3) PHMC Grant for document scanning, storage

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4) Document Management for HC on UMT server—tabled till Spring 2022



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