

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for April 22, 2008

Present: Dale Blum, Caryl Brackenridge

This regularly scheduled April meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, having been advertised in the *Observer Tribune* in January, 2008, and posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board and the Township web site, was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

HPC Award Nominations

Although there was not a quorum present at this meeting, Dale and Caryl discussed various possibilities for the Historic Preservation Award.

Ordinance

Dale and Caryl read through the sections of the ordinance and discussed their relevance to recent applications. Of particular note were sections 217-140. Violations and Penalties. and 217-141. Preventive Maintenance. The ordinance does not require a letter from the HPC to the offender before action by the Construction Code Official in either case. However, it seems wise for the HPC to send a letter to the property owner first and see if the maintenance or the violation is corrected before involving the Construction Code Official. To that end, a letter should be sent to Splash regarding the west window cornice, the trim above the first floor front windows and the demarcation between the oldest section and the addition. A letter should also be sent to the owner of the house on Schooley's Mountain Rd. (B33, L38) requesting the removal of the inappropriate shutters.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be May 21.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caryl R. Brackenridge, Secretary