December 2, 2019 Historical Advisory Committee Meeting

Members Present: Colin McLain, Diane Stockinger, Kathryn Saxton-Granato, Carolyn Gant, Monica Zuba, Carol Coulbourn

Members Absent: Joe Darminio, Frank Pfommer, Joe Bilinski, Diane Stockinger-advance notice, Kathryn Saxton-Granato-advance notice Henry Kobik, Delores Simkins, Carl Napoli-

Guest Present: Mary Petsch-Wilson-Twp. Committee Representative

The Historical Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chairman Carol Coulbourn in the History Center.

Mrs. Coulbourn reported on the following items:

1. $700 in donations made in memory of Carl Napoli had been received to date. She sent a listing of donors to his wife, Janis with a nice letter and also enclosed a Township ornament as a memento of his service.

2. She attended the Library’s event “Meet the Author” featuring Martin Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz had been a former Franklin Township Police Officer and is a Franklin Township resident. He moved on to work for Gloucester County, the State of New Jersey. He discussed his career in the military and law enforcement and his book “Policing is About People”. He presented a copy of the book to the Library and the History Center. In appreciation she presented him with a Township 200th Anniversary Ornament. The book was passed around for members to review.

3. Earlier this year a copy of a book by another local resident, the late Dave Daisey, “The Book of Mike, Only in America” had been presented to the Historical Center by his wife Frances Daisey.

4. The invitation to the South Jersey History Fair has been received. It will be held June 13, 2020 with a rain date of June 14, 2020 at the Gabriell Davis Tavern. Mrs. Coulbourn noted that it was later than last year’s event and she was concerned about the possibility that there could be conflict with some graduation dates.

5. She has been working on pictures for the Township’s calendar for 2020 with a theme of Now and Then. She had taken pictures of some of the areas how they look now, in contrast to how they looked in the past.

Christmas at the Center will be held on December 7th from noon until 5:00 p.m. The Center will be open at 11:30 a.m. Mrs. Coulbourn noted that she would be running trains at the Railroad Station. Staffing will be needed from 11:30 a.m. until approximately 4:00 p.m. Mr. McLain, Mrs. Gant, Mrs. Stockinger, and Mrs. Zuba offered to staff the History Center.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coulbourn