

## Ardencroft 75th Anniversary Special Committee Minutes

2/13/25 at 7:00pm, Buzz Ware Village Center

Attendance: Jenn A, Waju C, Pat M, Dan R

Agenda Items	Notes	Action Items
Committee matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>January 2025 minutes approved unanimously</li> </ul>	All: consider if any other interested individuals to join committee
Updates (historical sign, public works sign, effort for PAYP to be its own parcel, deeds, etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Historical marker check-in: timetable continues to be in flux; last told by the State's archives "we're still working on it."</li> <li>Public works sign check-in: currently early stages, but we provided the current drafts for our historical marker so the group has the context we're using; will continue to check-in with Chris R</li> <li>PAYP parcel follow-up: directors have started discussion, but question as to whether consensus will be reached; also depends if carve out can occur just for this parcel; being further discussed in next few days</li> <li>Original deeds: still in progress researching</li> <li>Arden Page: piece asking for folks with ArdenCROFT items (photographs, signs, etc.) for museum exhibit and/or interest to take part in oral/written history will be a part of March Arden</li> </ul>	<p>Will continue to follow progress on each of these</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Historical marker</li> <li>Public works sign</li> <li>PAYP parcel</li> <li>Original deeds</li> </ul>

	<p>Page issue; we will collect up through June.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Claymont Community Center visit (formerly Claymont High School): wealth of history at community center including a dedicated room; Alison David, the director helped with the tour; 4 of the original Claymont High School African American students were from Ardencroft; brainstorming possibility of a scheduled visit from the community to the center</li> </ul>	
Oral histories update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited update due to focus on event planning brainstorm</li> <li>Looking for interest to participate from community members via Arden Page update scheduled for March issue and Village meeting update 02/17.</li> <li>In digital update via email, Kathleen brought up good point that we will need to consider method to use for collecting oral histories (eg zoom or different method)</li> </ul>	<p>Need to formally update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consent/release of information &amp; donor form</li> <li>Suggested interview template</li> <li>List of individuals to approach</li> </ul> <p>Consideration for how to practically take oral histories whether via Zoom or a different manner</p> <p>For list of individuals, also ties back to early deeds follow-up and who may still be available to take part if interested</p>

<p>Event planning</p>	<p>Significant process related to event planning brainstorm as listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single event with 2 parts – PAYP dedication at park itself followed by speakers/reception @ Buzz</li> <li>• Date: late September, early October, checking Buzz for availability (preference of 09/27 followed by 10/04)</li> <li>• Some logistics to consider include: food/drinks for reception, possibility for music during reception, audio for dedication at the park, 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary t-shirt using other Ardencroft design, photographer for occasion, public representatives to attend</li> <li>• A possible flow could include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Starting at the PAYP for the Public Works sign unveil and a dedication – include a speaker for brief comments on Pauline A. Young</li> <li>◦ Speakers and panel at Buzz for reception; need to balance PAYP dedication with Ardencroft 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration</li> <li>◦ Can consider supplementing speakers or displaying old maps/photos of Ardencroft depending on what's available (example: <a href="https://pastmaps.com/map/marcus-hook-delaware-county-pa-usgs-topo-1953-p1956">https://pastmaps.com/map/marcus-hook-delaware-county-pa-usgs-topo-1953-p1956</a>)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Continue to brainstorm possible flow</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jenn A checking on Buzz availability for September date</li> <li>• Once date obtained, group can reach out to speakers to determine availability</li> </ul>
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Next meeting	Scheduled for Thursday, February 27th, 2025 7 PM @ Buzz Ware Village Center	