

Appendix E – Township Historic Resource Survey Results

East Coventry Township Historical Survey Question and Answers (10/18/04)

1. *We understand that you may be currently developing a historic preservation ordinance/regulations. How far into the process are you? When do you expect these provisions to be adopted?* **The Township does have historic preservation ordinance(s) in place, but it is very difficult to review the plans. Coordination between the Historical Commission and the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission could be improved.**

There is no manpower to review plans every month and provide comments to the appropriate boards. At this time they do not participate in the land development/subdivision process.
 - a. *Will these regulations create a local historic district (Act 167 District)?* **No.**
 - b. *If regulations are under Act 247, do they create a Historic Preservation Overlay?* **Not sure.**
 - c. *What other Zoning Ordinance and/or SALDO ordinance regulations are in place to protect historic resources in your township? What is listed in Figure 4-2 is correct.*
 - d. *Other regulations implementing recommended review procedure etc. for Historic Resources recommended in the Twp. Comp. Plan – details regarding them...* **Had no comment except that there were regulations in place but the Commission has a hard time finding the time to review plans.**
- 2a. *How long have you had an established Historic Commission?* **The Historical Commission has been in establishment for about 10-11 years.**
- 2b. *Do you have an established HARB? If not, do you envision your Township creating such an entity?* **There has not been a HARB been established to date in their township. There is possibility for a HARB in the future for Parker's Ford or Fricks Locks.**
3. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **The Township's historic survey has not been updated in approximately 22 years. They are participating in the County Atlas Program and using this information to update their local inventory records.**
4. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?* **Some particular historical resources deserve special mention in the township. One is the Revolutionary War Cemetery (Ellis Woods) on Ellis Woods Road. There is also a log cabin, located on the Bachelor's Greenhouse property that was part of the original William Penn Lynn Grant located on Saylor's miller Road and Baptist Church Road.**
5. *Are you participating in Historic Atlas project?* **Yes.**

6. *Any updates to 10/03 NR listed and eligible resources?* **There is not update to the National Register List. The most recent addition to the *listed* Historical Districts in Pa was Fricks Locks, in 2003. Around the year 2000, a group of concerned citizens from the Township, and one member from the Historical Commission got together and organized a non-profit committee called the Fricks Locks Canal Village Association.**
7. *Participation or interest in CLG program?* **No**
8. *Historic markers (other than those in Wallace, Warwick, and W. Pikeland)?* **There is a temporary marker placed on the oldest stone bridge in Chester County. This marker was funded in part by East Coventry and East Vincent Township to mark this historical resource as funding is being raised to secure an official State Historical Marker.**
9. *Projects HC/HARB is involved in?* **A special project they had participated in was in October 2004; they celebrated the 200th anniversary of the oldest existing stone bridge in Chester County, located on Old Schuylkill Road.**

There has also been a separate Feasibility Study that was conducted for the Village of Fricks Locks on how to adaptively re-use the historic village and buildings within the village to breathe some new life in what is now an abandoned village. This village cannot be sold because it falls under a Federally Regulated Zone because it is within a certain radius from the Power Plan. If anyone reuses any buildings in this village, it would have to be used for day-use only. Camping or any other use that would encourage any use after sunset is forbidden in this village by federal law.

They meet on a monthly basis to concentrate on the walking tours they conduct through the Chester County Program. They also produce and sell an annual calendar as an annual fundraiser for the Historical Commission

10. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **Educational outreach has occurred in the past with little success. The Historical Commission invited a presenter to talk about the wooden model of the Fricks Locks area he made to resemble what the village used to look like when the canal was in use. This was open to the public. They have another educational seminar set for sometime in February/March of 2005 to instruct interested parties /people on how to conduct their own property/deed research. They hope people will take their own initiative once they know how to do the research and provide information about historical resources to the Historical Commission and save time and efforts of this volunteer group. They also made mention that they could start using the township website and work with the Township to rewrite the information that currently on the website.**
11. *Other HR projects that have occurred? (using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?)* **Not that they were aware of.**

- *Promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?*
The Historical Commission mentioned interest in participating and conducting in a historical walking tour through the Village of Parker's Ford, but no planning has occurred to date. They want to take a break from conducting tours in the Fricks Locks Village until something new happens in the village (restoration projects or adaptive re-use success project) to occur so they can include something new to the tours.

East Nantmeal Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/18/04)

1. *Are you are currently developing or thinking of developing in the future any historic preservation ordinance/regulations in your ZO or SALDO? There are no current regulations in the Zoning Ordinance or Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.*
 - a. Are you creating a local historic district?
 - i. *Act 167 - They do not have an established HARB, nor do the current Historical Commission and the Township officials want an established HARB in the near future. There is a lot of resistance.*
 - ii. *247? – They are just starting to talk about developing an overlay district for the Township. They hope by spring of 2005 they will have an adopted ordinance.*
 - b. *Other protection methods in the ZO or SALDO? The Overlay District will be the first.*
 - c. *Other regulations implementing recommended review procedure etc. for Historic Resources recommended in the Twp. Comp. Plan – details regarding them...At the current time the Historical Commission does not participate in providing comments during the Act 247 reviews (Subdivision and Land Development Plan reviews). They are working on getting more involved in that process by figuring out how the current Township officials want and how to go about involving the Historical Commission on a regular basis.*
- 2a. *How long have you had an established Historic Commission? The Historical Commission started as a Historic Club and has progressively graduated into a Historical Commission for the Township. It is a very small group with a small number of persons serving on the Commission.*
- 2b. *Do you have an established HARB? If not, do you envision your Township creating such an entity? They do not have an established HARB, nor do the current Historical Commission and the Township officials are not pushing to establish a HARB in the near future. There is a lot of overall resistance.*

3. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **No.**
4. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?* **The Atlas project will reveal any historic resources in the Township.**
5. *Are you participating in Historic Atlas project?* **Yes.**
- 6a. *Any updates to 10/03 NR listed and eligible resources?* **There were efforts by the Historical Commission to get the Joshua Marks House/Property on the National Register of Historic Places, however; PHMC did not accept it. There then was a separate effort to form an entire historic district around the Joshua Marks House/Property, including other historical properties, but again PHMC did not accept it on the National Register.**
- 6b. *Does the HC have initiatives to coordinate with land development to encourage continued use of historic buildings (promoted adaptive reuses)?* **As far as coordinating efforts with realtors, property owners, etc. to reuse historic buildings and structures for other uses has not been done in the past. In the past the Historical Commission has had a very “hands off” approach to promote reuses of historic properties.**
- 6c. Does the Township currently have:
 - *Preferred rehabilitation loans?* **No.**
 - *Modifications for building code requirements?* **Nothing official but they are pretty flexible.**
 - *Proactive efforts to locate occupants for historic structures?* **The historic properties and buildings within the Township for the most part all occupied so there has not been an issue as far as having to get real involved in promoting reuse of historic buildings.**
7. *Participation or interest in CLG program?* **No, but they are interested in finding out more about the program.**
8. *Historic markers (other than those in Wallace, Warwick, and W. Pikeland)?* **No.**
9. *Projects HC/HARB is involved in?* **There is a separate “Conservation Committee” which has formed in the Township to deal with other issues, but they also touch upon historic structures and resources protection.**
10. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **They hold four public meetings annually where they invite historians and other people with interesting and historically significant presentations and open it up to the public. They hold these meetings at the Township building. On average they get around 10-20 people per meeting from the public.**

The H.C. indicated that they have no way to get information out to the residents. The Conservation Committee has recently launched an education effort to talk

with new people about different topics, including historic preservation. They could use their avenues but noting has been done to date.

11. *Does the Township currently protect historic resource projects using funding sources such as:*
 - *TEA21 enhancement grants?* **No**
 - *CDBG, Tax credits?* **No**
 - *Or PHMC grant?* **No**

12. *Does the Township promote and assist with:*
 - *NR certification?* **YES – if it doesn't cost the Historical Commission any money.**
 - *Educational brochures/tours?* **No**
 - *Providing advice to owners of Historic Resources?* **No – no way of getting information out to the people (the Conservation Committee is doing so though).**

13. *Do you still conduct historic house tours?* **No**

14. *Has a mini-museum to display historic artifacts been created? No If not, is it still a possibility? A mini-museum of artifacts is not yet on their radar, and they indicated that they did not know of any artifacts to showcase. They did indicate that it could have to be in the Township building if ever constructed.*

15. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct? There are no regulations at the current time.*

East Pikeland Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/18/04)

1. *Are you are thinking about continuing to pursue other historic certifications (eg. National Register and coordinating with other building owners) as recommended in your comprehensive plan? They are interested in pursuing other National Register property nominations, (not other historic districts), but are not specifically working on any at this time. He knew of two Historical Commission members who own historic properties that have expressed interest in obtaining that recognition, but no paperwork has yet been filed.*
 - a. *Are they continuing to investigate other local historic districts?* **No.**

 - b. *Do regulations recognize historic context as recommended in the Comprehensive Plan? The Historical Commission currently reviews any proposed development if it may have an impact on historic resources. They provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. This process and coordination between the Supervisors and the Planning Commission could be improved.*

 - c. *Are the regulations in Figure 4-2 up to date? They appear to be correct.*

- 2a. *How long have you had an established Historic Commission? **Over 10 years (it was established in 1990).***
- 2b. *Do you have an established HARB? If not, do you envision your Township creating such an entity? **They have an established HARB and the Historical Commission members are also a part of the HARB.***
3. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings? **They have worked and continue to encourage realtors, banks, and developers to reuse historic structures adaptively to new uses. A successful example is the Assisted Living Facility when it came in front of the H.C. they proposed a new facility on an old farm. They kept the barn and it is being used, as well as the old house, which is currently used for office space.***
- a. *Has the Township provided or encouraged property owners to use the following:*
- *Preferred rehab loans,- **NO***
 - *Modified building/housing codes, - **Not Certain, probably not.***
 - *Proactively seeking appropriate occupants to occupy historic structures?)
– **Yes, see example above.***
4. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP? **They will be starting to update the CCHSS through working with Jane Davidson on the Atlas project in the next few months, but they haven't started it to date.***
5. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included? **No, the survey will probably add more and show more than they currently show in their local records. Two members of the Historical Commission want to get their properties on the National Register (there is interest) but the paper work has not yet been filed.***
6. *Participating in Historic Atlas project? **Yes.***
7. *Updates to 10/03 NR listed and eligible resources? **No.***
8. *Participation or interest in the Certified Local Government (CLG) program? **Yes, they are currently working on applying to the Certified Local Government Program. They just need a few signatures and the application will be sent to the appropriate agency for review and acceptance. The original reason for applying to the CLG program is the Raps Revolutionary Dam Site (gun and gunpowder manufacturing occurred at this site for the Revolutionary War). Currently the building is falling down and they are trying to get it on the N.R. They hope that the CLG program will give them funding to preserve the building and the area raceway is still intact.***

9. *Historic markers (other than those in Wallace, Warwick, and W. Pikeland)?* **There are no historic markers in the township to date, however; the Historical Commission is looking into the idea for the village of Kimberton. They are currently working on installing the old-time road directional signs like they used to have in the village.**
- 10a. *Projects HC/HARB is involved in?* **In the past they provided tours in and around the Raps Revolutionary Dam Site. They also participate in the Chester County town and village walks. They have provided walking tours through the Villages of Kimberton and Merlin.**
- 10b. *Is the Township using available resources (e.g. Historic Commission) to prepare methods and strategies to preserve historic elements of the Township landscape as recommended in the Comp. Plan?* **The Township does not really use the Historical Commission to the fullest potential. They feel like they need to be more apart of the process.**
11. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **In the past they provided tours in and around the Raps Revolutionary Dam Site. They also participate in the Chester County town and village walks. They have provided walking tours through the Villages of Kimberton and Merlin.**
12. *Other HR projects that have occurred?*
- *eg - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?* **No.**
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?* **They will continue to do the walking tours and would provide advice to property owners if they came to the Historical Commission for help.**
13. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct.* **Yes**

North Coventry Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/18/04)

- 1a. *In Appendix D of the OSRERP has inventory of all historic resources in the township. Have there been any updates to this?* **They have just updated their historic survey of the Township. All that is left to do is to take a few photos of various historic buildings and they will have completed the update. They have on file every historic house that is 50+ years of age, the year it was built, and the family (names) who owned it, if they know that information. They have their own maps with all the historic resources locations mapped and they have almost completed this effort. In the very near future the Township will be sending to Jane Davidson the information needed to tie the historic resource locations to the county tax parcels so they can be added to the County GIS database.**

- 1b. *Are there any other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?* **Pottstown Landing area was mentioned as something that stands out historically in their township. It started out as a canal village. Now it is on the National Register of Historic Districts**
2. *When was the Act 247 Historic Overlay District adopted?* **Historic Overlay District adopted May 10, 1999**
3. *Will you have a local Certified Act 167 District?* **No, there is no interest.**
4. *Will you be applying for any other National Register Historic Districts If so, list them?* **The next project the Township's Historical Commission is working on getting on the N.R. of Historic Districts in Cedarville. They have done some historic resources surveying of this village but there is more work needed to complete the application to PHMC. They will be applying for following additional National Register Historic Districts that include:**
- **Cedarville Village**
 - **Free-Love Valley**
 - **Urner Cemetery**
- 5a. *How long have you had an established Historic Commission?* **The Historic Commission established 30 December 1985.**
- 5b. *Do you have an established HARB? If not, do you envision your Township creating such an entity?* **There is no HARB nor is there any interest in forming a HARB in the Township.**
6. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings?* **They have been successful in working with realtors, banks, and developers to encourage the continued use of historic buildings. An example is at the intersection of East Cedarville Road and Miller Road. There was an older house on the site and the HC cooperated with the new property owners/developers and talked them into renovating the house but keeping the historic integrity to reuse as a residential use.**
7. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **Just what was listed in Appendix D of their OSRERP and in their CP.**
- a. *What is the Village Inventory Status (as per CP recommendation)?* **The inventory for the Village of Cedarville is almost complete.**
- b. *And if Village Inventory is nearing completion, are the other CP recommendations underway such as:*
- *Status of a village preservation fund set-up?* **No**
 - *Village review board?* **No**
 - *Zoning changes to allow village development patterns?* **No - haven't heard anything recently.**
 - *Etc. from comprehensive Plan...*
- The Township wants to put up signs in different villages so people know that they are in historic villages (Kennelworth, South Pottstown,**

Cedarville). Pottstown Landing does currently have historical markers in and around the village area (but not the State marker program). Also, a recent application to the State marker program was denied.

8. *Participating in Historic Atlas project? Yes.*
9. *Updates to 10/03 NR listed and eligible resources? No.*
10. *Participation or interest in CLG program? No - not really sure what the program is all about.*
11. *Historic markers (other than those in Wallace, Warwick, and W. Pikeland)? No. A recent attempt to put in an application to the State marker program was denied. North Coventry has some private historic markers, e.g., Laurel Locks and Bradley Lions property.*
12. *Projects HC/HARB is involved in? For future project/direction, they could get more involved in what goes on during the land development/ subdivision process. It is hard for them to fill vacant positions on the Commission. Volunteerism is down.*
13. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?*
 - **The meetings are always open and they get visitors every now and then. They give walking tours (several in Pottstown Landing) and in Cedarville.**
 - **The Historic Commission often receives requests for information from persons doing restoration work who seek guidance on how structures might have looked in the past. The Commission has been helpful in providing early photos of the structures or similar structures.**
14. *Other HR projects that have occurred?*
 - *eg - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant? - No.*
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways? – They will help people through the application process if they come to the H.C. for help.*
15. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct. Yes*

South Coventry Township Historical Survey Questions and Questions (10/18/04)

- 1a. *Have you completed updates to the CCHSS other than what is listed in the Comprehensive Plan and OSERP?*
 - **The Historical Commission has most of the historical resources documented on their own township maps (before the County Atlas project started). They are working on getting a database together with information to go with each location.**
 - **They are working with Jane in the Parks Department to help complete the GIS Atlas. They have some already mapped, but they are in the beginning stages with this project as it was started after they were almost complete with their own mapping.**

- **When the Atlas project is completed, some of the definitions of historic resources will change and they plan on updating this in their ordinances.**
- 1b. *Are there any other municipal HR Surveys or important HRs that should be included?*
Nothing has changed.
2. *When was the Act 247 Historic Overlay District adopted?* **They have no Act 247 Historic Resources Protection Overlay district.**
3. *Is the Village of Coventryville the only Certified Act 167 District within the Township?*
Yes, Coventryville is an Act 167 District with an established HARB.
- a. *Are there other plans to apply for other historic districts under the regulation of Act 167?* **There are no current plans to recommend any other historic districts to go into the Act 167 Historic District Program. (They are not opposed to the idea though (Pughtown)).**
- b. *Has the historical commission applied for an Act 167 for Pughtown?* **Has a HARB been established for Pughtown? No. Not at this time.**
4. *Has a handbook design guidelines been developed for the HARB to date (per Comprehensive Plan)?* **There are design guidelines in the Township Ordinance that the HARB and the Historical Commission use when reviewing plans.**
5. *Have there been extra transportation studies on Rte. 23 or Pughtown Road? Has the Township actively lobbied PennDOT to improve Rte. 23 over Pughtown Road to help maintain the village character of Pughtown?*
- **There has been a study for Rte. 23 at the intersection of Rte. 23 and Rte. 100 (but not sure when that study was completed).**
 - **There is no interest in pursuing to lobby Penn D.O.T. to improve Rte. 23 over Pughtown Road to help maintain the village character of Pughtown thus far.**
6. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings?*
There have been a couple of successful attempts to coordinate with developers to save the historic integrity and reuse historic buildings in the Township. One example is a commercial property on Rte. 100 (Holly Pike Associates) where the Historical Commission had some input in their design (in the Shoppes at Pughtown).
- a. *Has the HARB and/or HC actively pursued asking property owners of Historical structures to donate building facades to the Township?* **No. No interest at this time.**
- b. *Has anyone donated building facades to date?* **No.**
- c. *Has the HARB or HC developed interpretive plans to highlight the Township's unique heritage resources (including the French Creek Corridor)?* **No.**

7. *Participating in Historic Atlas project?* **Yes they are incorporating what they already updated and providing that information to the County.**
8. *Updates to 10/03 NR listed and eligible resources?* **No.**
9. *Participation or interest in CLG program?* **Yes.**
10. *Historic markers (other than those in Wallace, Warwick, and W. Pikeland)?* **This hasn't been discussed with the H.C. They would have to talk about this first.**
11. *Projects HC/HARB is involved in?* **They have not participated in any historic walking tours (either Coventryville or Pughtown).**
12. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **None.**
13. *Other HR projects that have occurred?*
 - *eg - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?* **They are interested in finding out more about the funding sources (TEA 21 enhancement grants, CDBG money, tax credits and PHMC grants.**
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?* **They feel they could help residents get their properties on the National Register if asked.**
14. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct.* **Yes.**

Wallace Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/29/04)

1. *When any applicable historic resources preservation regulations adopted?* **They have had some sort of regulations on preserving historic resources in their townships since the Historical Commission was formed (25 years).**

The ordinance pertaining to historical preservation should be updated as it is relatively old and there are new techniques to be used to better protect the historical resources in the Township.
2. *Per Comprehensive Plan recommendations:*
 - *What is the status of the Act 167 Historic District? Do you have one in place and/or are you working on establishing one in your Township?* **There is no Act 167 District in place now, but there is a separate task force established (the Village Task Force) which are involved in applying for the Glenmoore Historic District to be recognized by the state as having the status of Act 167 (Certified Historic District) and to be placed on the National Register of Historic Districts. Once accepted in this program there will be a HARB established.**

- *If so, what is or will be the official name of this Act 167 Historic District?* **Glenmoore Historic District**
 - *Are there regulations in the SALDO/Z.O. which promote and allow the reuse of historic structures for modern uses?* **Yes.**
 - *What are these regulations? What is currently in the Zoning Ordinance is what they follow (in Figure 4-2).*
 - *Do you have regulations in the Zoning Ordinance which provide guidelines for adaptation and demolition of historic resources?* **The Township works with the State very closely and has adopted their standards in their practices in recommendations for historic preservation, restoration, demolition, etc.**
3. *Do you have a Historic Commission and architectural review board?* **There is no HARB established to date.**
- a. *How long have they been established?*
 - *Historic Commission – 25 years*
 - *HARB – None to date.*
4. *Are there any National Register of Historic Districts the H.C. and/or HARB is currently pursuing?* **Yes. Glenmoore Historic District is the only one.**
5. *Is the H.C. the primary body responsible for historic preservation efforts in the Township?* **The Historic Commission, along with the Village Task Force, are the primary bodies within the Township responsible for historic preservation in the Township. They provide recommendations to the Supervisors.**
6. *Has the Board of Supervisors entrusted the H.C. with furthering this goal?* **Yes, the Supervisors rely heavily on the recommendations from the Historical Commission and the Village Task Force to preserve historic resources in the Township.**
7. *Has the Township encouraged use of tax incentives for historical preservation and how?* **Yes. Jane Davidson appraises historic properties and works with the owners to let them know what State and Federal grants, tax incentives, programs, etc. are available to them, and shows them how to apply for money to restore old mills and other historic properties.**
8. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings?* **The Historical Commission has worked with developers and provided expertise when needed when dealing with reuse, remodeling, refurbishing a historical resource in the Township.**
9. *Participating in Historic Atlas project?* **They are just starting the GIS Atlas for the update of the Chester County Historical Site Survey. The Historical Commission is working with Jane Davidson on this project.**

10. *Participation or interest in Certified Local Government (CLG) program?* **Yes. They are interested in knowing more about the CLG program, they are not currently part of this program to date.**
11. *Are you pursuing any more Historic markers in your Township?* **They are looking into providing plaques for historic homes in the Township, but as far as they know there is no program that helps them fund something like this. They are currently pursuing a State Historical Marker as a sign going into the Village of Glenmoore once it is on the National Register of Historic Districts.**
12. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **They have and will continue to conduct a walking tour of the Village of Glenmoore, other than that there is not a lot going on in terms of an education program for the Historical Commission.**
13. *Other HR projects that the H.C. and/or HARB are involved in ?* **A particular project the Historical Commission is currently working on is the Hakan Project. This site has three old mansions and only one is occupied. They are looking to get the others occupied so the buildings do not fall into disrepair.**
 - *eg - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?* **They do not know, they do not think they have applied for any to date.**
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?* **Yes, they help people who are interested in putting their properties on the National Register. They also conduct summer walking tours through the Historic District of Glenmoore. They also once did a bus tour throughout the Township showing the people all this historic resource and sharing the history of the Township.**
14. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **No.**
15. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?* **There are sites around the Village of Glenmoore with historical significance. There is also a historic mill, which will be developed by a private party within the Township.**
16. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct.* **Yes.**

Warwick Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/18/04)

1. *When any applicable historic resources preservation regulations adopted?* **The ordinance was adopted in 1993 shortly after the Comprehensive Plan was adopted.**

2. *Do you have a Historic Commission and architectural review board?* **Yes. All five members of the Historical Commission serve on the existing HARB. There are 3 other members to the HARB including an architect, a realtor and a building inspector. Both have been in existence for over ten years.**
 - a. *How long have they been established?*
 - Historic Commission: **10 + years with 5 members.**
 - HARB: **10+ years**

3. *In regard to community education, has the Historical Commission or the Township distributed education information and information on Township historical resources in a Township Newsletter?* **Historical resources information has been relayed to the public through a new newsletter the Township is publishing.**
 - *What is the type of information provided?* **Each newsletter has one article dedicated to showcasing one aspect of historical resources in the Township. The Township could highlight a specific resource, or talk about historic districts such as the placement of St. Peter's on the National Registry in 2004, or talk about a type of historic resource such as historic churches, one room schoolhouses. They would like to write an article to inform the public about the TIP, which are the standards for remodeling historic resources published by the Department of Interior.**
 - *Has there been, or is there interest in putting educational information about the Township's historical resources on the Township website?* **If the website is constructed for the Township, in the future the Historical Commission could put information and articles on the website for public to access at their convenience.**
 - *What are examples of established educational programs geared towards educating the Township residents about the historical resources located within the Township?* **The Historical Commission has conducted walking tours through St. Peter's Village. There is also interest in conducting a walking tour through the Village of Warwick but it has not been done to date. When the Township celebrated its 150th anniversary, the Historical Commission conducted a Township-wide tour for the public displaying all the historic resources within the Township.**

4. *Is infill in the Historic Districts being promoted?* **Yes. Infill within the established historic districts is being promoted in the Township. They work hard in working with developers to keep the historic nature and architecture of the buildings proposed to be changed in each of the four historic districts.**

5. *Is the Township promoting adaptive reuse in historic structures?* **There are four villages in the Township and any repair work or remodeling have to come before the HARB. They recommend keeping new development or alterations in the historic nature and character of the villages. The size of proposed additions are now being watched more closely, and more attention is being paid to additions within these village settings.**

6. *How are they encouraging use of Village/Hamlet development options through the Z.O.?* **The Township is in favor of this style development but has not received a lot of proposals of this type or style of development in the past. In general the Township is trying to keep development pressure low so to maintain their rural character and preserve open space.**
- *Any good examples of developments which were proposed under these regulations?* **An example of a new development proposed to be constructed as a hamlet style is proposed on the side/site of a golf course. Another example is another hamlet/village style proposal of new development on another golf course in the Township.**
7. *Is the Township recognizing significant historic sites in the Township as points of interest and how?* **The Township is very much in favor of historic recognition. The communication is improving between the residents and the Township, but there is no real concerted push from the public to do this.**
8. *It is our understanding that the Township recently collaborated with PHMC for the St. Peters Village National Register listing. Are there other resources the Township is currently working on?* **The Township used a grant from the County that paid for 50% of the cost of getting St. Peter's Village onto the National Register. French and Pickering Creek Conservation Trust, Inc. (Trust) shared the other 50% of the cost.**
9. *Is the Township pursuing the National Register Historic District listings for the villages of Warwick, Knauertown, and Harmonyville?* **There are some remaining "historic villages" which are located in Warwick Township but are not yet on the National Register of Historic Districts. Currently the Historical Commission is *not* actively seeking National Register recognition of the following villages: Warwick, Knauertown, and/or Harmonyville. Out of those listed above, the Historical Commission feels as if the priority would be to get Warwick Village on the National Register, followed by Harmonyville (but would probably not be a stand alone village but an extension of St. Peters), and Knauertown would probably be the last. There were efforts in the past to put Knauertown on the National Register of Historic Districts, however the PHMC did not accept it. It would all depend on how much money the Township could receive in grants to proceed with any of the above efforts.**
10. *Is there interest in participating in the CLG program?* **There is interest in pursuing and participating in the CLG program.**
11. *What is the status of the 2003 Comprehensive Plan recommendations?* **The Comprehensive Plan calls for large studies which push you into feasibility studies. They are a little uneasy with the big push for these large programs.**
- *(e.g. developing heritage areas with VPP funding by June, 2005?)* **This is another opportunity which is a possibility if the Township could receive funding to do something like this. They have an addendum to the Township Comprehensive Plan which covers some of this recommendation which was adopted in 2003.**

12. *Has the Township encouraged use of tax incentives for historical preservation and how?* **There has been no tax incentives given by the Township to promote historic preservation to date specifically from the Township, but the Township does encourage the State and Federal incentives if property owners are interested.**
13. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings?* **They work hard in working with developers to keep the historic nature and architecture of the buildings proposed to be changed in each of the four historic districts.**
14. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **Yes, there has been extensive mapping which mapped over 1,000 acres under the National Register, the historic districts, and the archeological sites within the Township.**
15. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?*
- a. **Revolutionary Cemetery (1777)**
 - b. **Mining and quarrying sites (charcoal iron and surface mining sites) which occurred from the mid 1800's**
 - c. **St. Peter's Shaft Mining**
 - d. **Geology - Warwick has extremely unique granite (stone) which is only found in 3 places in the world (California, Sweden and Warwick Township, PA).**
16. *Participating in Historic Atlas project?* **Yes, but we feel as if we already did what is being asked of them to do, just on their maps instead of the County's tax parcel maps. The big difference is the Township's Historical Commission does not consider anything from 1956 or earlier as historic, they stopped their survey in the 1930's. They don't feel as if 1956 is very historic.**
17. *Are you pursuing any more Historic markers in your Township?* **The Historical Commission would like to see a State Historic Marker in the site of the Reading Furnace as it was the largest iron furnace of its time and all the other furnaces have a marker to depict their historical significance.**
18. *Other projects HC/HARB is involved in?*
- *eg - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?* **None other than the ones already mentioned.**
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?* **- They used a County Grant to pay for half of the cost it took to get St. Peter's Historic District on the National Register of historic places.**
19. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct.* **Will provide hand written confirmation at a later date.**

West Vincent Township Historical Survey Questions and Answers (10/29/04)

1. *When any applicable SALDO/Z.O. historic resources preservation regulations adopted?* **The Township had historic demolition standards in place for Class I, II, and III historic resources since approximately 1987.**

2. *Are there regulations in the SALDO/Z.O. which promote and allow the reuse of historic structures for new uses?* **Yes. The Township is working on developing ordinance language for reuse of historic structures on properties on which developers propose to put new development. They hope to have the ordinance language, which will encourage the reuse of structures like barns and homes, on these types of new development, either by including them in open space or adaptive reuse, by the end of the year (2004).**

3. *Are you coordinating any local Act 167 Historic District?* **They are not pursuing any Act 167 Historic Districts at this time, however; there was mention that Birchrunville could be proposed in the future for this status.**

4. *It was brought to our attention that the Township used to have a H.C. and/or HARB. These have since been disbanded. Can you elaborate on this issue?* **There is no formal Historic Commission. All historic work and administration is handled through the EAC or the French and Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust, Inc. (Trust). There is also no HARB established to date in the Township.**

5. Per OSRER Plan recommendations:
 - o *One of the recommendations was to undertake research leading to the compilation of an official Township Historical Survey, including written descriptions, photographs and mapped recordation of the sites and structures within West Vincent Township. What has been done so far?* **The 1992 Open Space Plan has identified, inventoried, mapped, photographed and added tax parcel information to all 231 historic resources throughout the Township.**

 - o It was brought to our attention that a detailed survey was completed for the Birchrunville District and Highland District, however; the Township decided not to go the route of designating these on the National Register of Listed Historic Districts.
 - i. *Can you elaborate on the reasoning and if there is interest in the future to pursue this prestigious designation in the future for this area?* **The Township had finished a detailed survey for the Birchrunville area. The French and Pickering Creek Conservation Trust, Inc. also had done a lot to survey the historic resources in the Township. There is a possibility to designate Birchrunville as an Act 167 Historic District in the future.**

6. *Are there any National Register properties or site nominations the H.C. and/or HARB is currently pursuing?* **No.**

7. *Has the Township encouraged use of tax incentives for historical preservation and how?* **The Trust is very active in preserving lands in perpetuity that have historic structures on it, as well as donating historic building facades from private owners. They work diligently and intensely with the public as well as inform the public through a newsletter they publish and distribute in their Region.**
8. *Has the HC taken proactive initiatives to work with the local development interests (realtors, banks, developers) to encourage the continued use of historic buildings?* **The Township's EAC has been very successful in the past encouraging the preservation of historic sites (barns, buildings, farmsteads) when a new development threatens the resource. There are several developers which have included historic resources within their Open Space areas and have preserved large areas, including historic farmsteads within the new development.**
9. *Participating in Historic Atlas project?* **The Township Manager is the lead on this project, not the Historical Commission.**
10. *Updates to the CCHSS that have occurred since what is listed in CP and OSRERP?* **No, they will be working on the Atlas project though.**
11. *Other Municipal HR Survey or important HR that should be included?* **No particular resource was discussed, but the idea of not over burdening the bureaucratic process with more regulations was discussed. They feel as if they have enough regulations in place in their current ordinances to properly and adequately preserve historic resource in the Township at a local level.**
12. *Participation or interest in CLG program?* **They are interested in more information about the CLG program. They do not currently participate in this program.**
13. *Are you pursuing any more Historic markers in your Township?* **They were not sure, but didn't think they were pursuing anything at the moment.**
14. *Municipal educational efforts that have occurred?* **The Township has a newsletter they distribute to residents which does include information about local historic preservation efforts and general information about the historic resources in the Township. The French and Pickering Creeks Trust, Inc. also has a newsletter they distribute to educate and spread the word about their local contributions on preserving historic resources in the Region.**
15. *Other HR projects that have occurred?*
 - *e.g - using HR protection projects using funding sources such as TEA21 enhancement grants, CDBG, Tax credits, or PHMC grant?* **Not yet.**
 - *eg - promote and assist with NR certification, promoted adaptive reuse, educational brochures/tours, providing advice to owners of HR and in what ways?* **Not yet.**
16. *Confirm that the ZO/SLDO regulations listed in Figure 4-2 are correct.* **Yes.**