

MINUTES OF THE 254th STATED MEETING OF THE PHILADELPHIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

7 May 1981

F. Otto Haas, Chairman

Present: Rosemary Crumlish
Edward Pinkowski
John Taxin
Commissioner Joseph W. Brown, Department of Public Property
Herbert W. Levy, A.I.A., Architectural Advisor to the Commission
Frank Thomas, Esq., Assistant City Solicitor, Law Department
Richard Tyler, Historian
Patricia Siemiontkowski, Architectural Historian
Jefferson Moak, Research Historian

Unless otherwise noted, all actions taken herein are the results of motions correctly made, seconded and carried.

The Minutes of the Stated Meeting of the Philadelphia Historical Commission held on 2 April 1981 were approved and directed to be filed.

The Report of the Architectural Committee for 15 April 1981, Herbert W. Levy, A.I.A., Chairman, was reviewed by the Commission and approved subject to two spelling corrections.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on Certification for 3 March 1981, Edward Pinkowski, Chairman. The Commission members reviewed individually and approved for certification each of the following buildings:

3416-3418 Baring Street
315-321 N. Broad Street - Packard Motor Corporation Building
3730-3740 Ludlow Street - Church of the Saviour
3723-3725 Chestnut Street - Church of the Saviour Parish Building and Rectory
2101-2199 Fairmount Avenue - Eastern State Penitentiary
260-262 E. Girard Avenue - The Green Tree Tavern
1-3-5-7 Bell's Court
2101 Pine Street (A.K.A. 340 S. 21st Street) - Martha Garvin House
315-317 South 22nd Street - Neill-Mauran House
4201-4245 Spruce Street - The Philadelphia Divinity School
5500 Wissahickon Avenue - Alden Park
Alden Park Manor - 5702 Wissahickon Avenue
The Kenilworth - 2979 W. School House Lane
The Cambridge - 2967 W. School House Lane
The Manor garage
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The swimming pool building

Awbury Arboretum

6120 Ardleigh Street - The Francis Cope House
6130 Ardleigh Street - The Thomas Cope House
6118 Ardleigh Street - Stable
1011 E. Washington Lane - Caroline Cope House
943 E. Haines Street (A.K.A. 5923 Devon Place) -
 John S. Haines House
1000 block E. Washington Lane - Jonathan Evans House
1010 E. Washington Lane - Alexis T. Cope House
6012-6014 Chew Avenue - Margaret Cope House
6120 Sprague Street - Scattergood House
999 E. Haines Street - Kimber House

The Report on Philadelphia Historical Commission Staff Activities for the month of April, Richard Tyler, Historian. Mr. Tyler's report was approved and directed to be filed with the official copy of the Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

Comly Rich House. The Historian reviewed briefly with the Commission members the issue of the relocation of the Comly Rich House from its original site in Frankford to Old City as proposed by Daniel Green, President of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association.

As directed by the Commission at its 2 April 1981 meeting, the Historian sought from the Department of Licenses and Inspections a determination of the kind of permit required for the removal and relocation of the house to Old City. In response to the Historian's query, Commissioner Tate of the Department of Licenses and Inspections reported that removal of the house from its present site at 4276 Orchard Street required a demolition permit. Moreover, re-erection of the building on its new site in Old City would require the acquisition of a building permit as well.

Following some discussion of the matter, the Historian recommended to the Commission that a delay of five months be imposed upon the demolition of the house. Mr. Pinkowski presented a motion calling for a five month delay on the approval of Permit Application #29231. This motion was seconded and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Siemiontkowski
Architectural Historian