

Historical Commission Meeting 8/04/21

In attendance: Joseph Bruno, Jocelyn Codner, Lou Deluca, Mary Louise Green, Melanie Linn Gutowski, Kayla Portis, David Rotenstein, Leo Rudzki, Matt Rudzki

- David shared sample release and deed of gift forms for the commission to review
 - The commission will need to develop similar forms of our own to use during our future oral history project
 - Commission members will review forms and direct any questions or concerns to David
- The commission discussed the oral history project
 - This project is in very early stages and won't move forward in any significant way until conditions are safe
- Jocelyn shared answers to the commission's follow-up questions concerning potential item donations to the Heinz History Center
 - If there are any additional questions in the future, Jocelyn can convey them to Carly Lough
- The commission discussed next steps in eventually registering St. Mary's on the National Register of Historic Places
 - David and Mary Louise will draft a letter for the commission to review, sign, and send to the church council to request their permission and partnership in acquiring the designation
- Lou reported that an individual has a 1924 basketball tournament first place medal they would like to donate to the commission
 - Discussion of where to display the medal, thoughts were that the best place would be in a shadow box in the borough building with an informational label
- The commission is interested in acquiring a display case for the borough building that would allow for items and documentation to be on display to the public on a rotating basis
 - Jocelyn will look into furniture options and prices
 - Display cases should have plexiglass on at least three sides for easy viewing and a lock to secure the items inside
- Officer Elections. The new officers for September 2021 through August 2022 are:
 - Chair: David Rotenstein
 - Vice Chair: Melanie Linn Gutowski
 - Clerk: Jocelyn Codner
 - Treasurer: Joseph Bruno
- The commission will continue to meet via Zoom for the time being