

**Mid-Atlantic Chapter
Society for the Preservation of Old Mills**

**October 1, 2022
Semiannual Meeting**

Location: Meeting room at Days Inn, Waynesboro, PA
Attendees: See Attachment A

Treasurer Judy Grove called the meeting to order at 11:58 A.M. and expressed the thanks of the Chapter to Adrian Shank, his daughter Elizabeth, and the Board of Directors of Shank's Mill for hosting our mill tour.

Minutes of the May 21, 2022, meeting at the Newlin Mills in Glen Mills, PA, were distributed by e-mail prior to the meeting. The minutes as submitted were approved by consensus. Judy Grove was thanked for preparing the minutes in the absence of the secretary.

Finance: Treasurer Judy Grove presented the finance report as of September 22, 2022, which is appended to these minutes as Attachment B. The beginning balance as of January 1 was \$12,606.95. There have been receipts of \$2650.00 and expenses of \$1595.16, producing an ending balance of \$13,661.79. These figures do not include outstanding income and expenses for the fall meeting, which are approximately equal at about \$1900.

Membership: There are currently 79 paid up chapter members. See Attachment C for details.

Website: Judy Grove and Dan Campbell have been adding photos by date and location from previous chapter meetings. A full list of previous meetings and minutes are available on the website. Listing of available or wanted equipment are not being posted, as these items are better suited to the Trading Post section of the Forums on the national SPOOM website.

Project Reports: Board members are continuing to respond to inquiries about mill preservation. Chris Hernandez-Roy is seeking information on stabilization and equipment for his restoration of Lantz Mill. Griffin Affel of the Philadelphia Canoe Club, whose clubhouse is an old mill on Wissahickon Creek, contacted us to ask advice on non-profit accounting software.

Old Business

SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Grants: Bob McLaughlin reported that the deadline for grant applications has passed, and no applications from mills in the mid-Atlantic region were received. Accordingly, the chapter will not make a \$1000 contribution to the grant program this year.

(At this point President Dan Campbell took over as presider of the meeting.)

Election of Officers: Officers and Board members are elected for staggered two year terms. Up for election at this meeting are the president, vice-president, and two Board members. Dan Campbell and Susan Langley have agreed to stand for election as president and vice-president respectively. Current Board member Steve Childers will stand for election to another two-year term on the Board. Dan Campbell nominated Angela Kramer, Education Director for Pierce Mill for election to the Board. There were no further nominations from the floor. Dan Campbell moved that nominees Dan Campbell (President), Susan Langley (Vice-president), Steve Childers (Director), and Angela Kramer (Director) be elected to two-year terms for these positions. The motion was seconded by Chas Wagner and adopted unanimously by voice vote.

Incorporation and Tax Exempt Status: Craig Sansonetti reported that he has prepared the necessary documents to file the amendments to the chapter's Articles of Incorporation that were approved at the spring meeting with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations. Judy will add a check for the \$70 filing fee and submit the amendments.

Craig has also reviewed and suggested answers for the Form 1023 that must be submitted to the IRS to seek tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. He suggested that the chapter apply for exemption as of the date of application, as this will be simpler than requesting exemption retroactive to the date of incorporation. Judy Grove will continue the work on tax exemption, which cannot be filed until the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation are certified by the state.

Membership Directory: Judy Grove noted that there has been discussion of preparing a membership directory. The chapter does not distribute a directory in order to preserve the privacy of members. Members who attend meetings are deemed to have given permission for their information to be given to other members. Otherwise, members can ask Judy for contact information and she will ask permission to supply it.

New Business

Mid-Atlantic Milling Days: Judy reminded the group that before COVID the chapter had promoted a celebration of Mid-Atlantic Milling Days during the month of June. Four mills in and near York County, PA have continued this regional event. Judy suggested that the chapter should encourage mills in our area to plan special activities during the month of June that we can promote throughout the region. This could be disseminated through the newsletter. Judy can serve as a clearinghouse for information on events through e-mails to subscribers and information on the website.

Suggestions for Future Meeting Dates and Sites:

- Saint Vincent's Gristmill -- Latrobe, PA. The chapter previously visited this mill in 2013, but there is interest in returning. Fort Ligonier and other historic sites are nearby. Judy Grove noted that attendance was low because the location is too far west for many of our members. She suggested that we try for something more geographically central while we are still recovering from COVID.
- Hellertown Historical Society -- Hellertown, PA. The Historical Society is located in the Heller-Wagner Gristmill and associated buildings. The mill was built in 1760 and operated until the 1950s. Some equipment is intact. The contact is Chip Wagner, but he would need to consult the Board with respect to hosting a meeting. The Bethlehem waterworks and the Haines Brothers Mill in Allentown are nearby.
- Centre County, PA -- Bob McLaughlin is part of a group that has built a replica mill that is now operable. The mill is on property owned by Penn State and operations are limited to 7 days a year. Bob will look into the feasibility of hosting a meeting. Eagle Iron Works is nearby. Judy suggested that workshops and/or talks could be coupled with a meeting here.
- York Haven Dam, Susquehanna River, York County, PA -- This is a hydroelectric power plant with an 8000 foot dam completed in 1904. The power house has vintage turbines and generators dating to the early 1900s. Matthew Pyle is the manager of the plant. There

are several other mills and the Agricultural and Industrial Museum in the vicinity of York.

After discussion it was agreed that we should look in parallel at Centre County and York Haven Dam as potential sites for the 2023 Spring Meeting.

Anderson Mill for Sale: Ivan Lufriu reported that Anderson Mill, which was visited by the chapter on Friday, September 30, is for sale. It is possible that the mill itself may be separated from the rest of the property.

There being no further business , Ivan Lufriu moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Judy Grove and adopted unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Sansonetti, Secretary
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Attachment A

Attendees for Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1 Event in Waynesboro and Greencastle PA*** indicates those who attended the business meeting**

#	First Name	Last Name	Milling Connection	City	ST	
*	1	Daniel	Campbell	Preservation Architect, AIA	West Chester	PA
	2	Stephen	Childers	Abbotts Mill DE	Wyoming	DE
	3	Robert	Coblentz	Colvin Run Mill VA	Springfield	VA
	4	Gretchen	Diehl	Heller Wagner Mill - PA	Hellertown	PA
*	5	Judy	Grove	Wallace Cross Mill PA	York	PA
*	6	Cheryl	Hemler	Hemler Saw Mill PA	Hanover	PA
*	7	Robert	Hemler, Jr	Hemler Saw Mill PA	Hanover	PA
	8	Dave	Holsten	Walnut Valley Mill MD	Elkton	MD
	9	Angela	Kramer	Peirce Mill - DC	Washington	DC
*	10	Ivan	Lufriu	Union Mills - MD	Littlestown	PA
*	11	Marlene	Lufriu	Union Mills - MD	Littlestown	PA
	12	Thomas	McCallum	Shank's Mill Waynesboro PA		
*	13	Robert	McLaughlin	NAMA Mill PA	Howard	PA
*	14	Linda	Milano	Good Hope Mill-PA	Mechanicsburg	PA
*	15	Todd	Milano	Good Hope Mill-PA	Mechanicsburg	PA
*	16	Dennis	Null	Shank's Mill Waynesboro PA	Waynesboro	PA
	17	Karen	Peterson	Walnut Valley Mill MD	Elkton	MD
*	18	Matthew	Pyle	Hydroelectric Industry	York	PA
	19	Budne	Reinke	Meyer Mill	Silver Spring	MD
	20	Diane	Reinke	Meyer Mill	Silver Spring	MD
*	21	Craig	Sansonetti	Muddy Creek Forks - PA	Airville	PA
*	22	Jean	Sansonetti	Muddy Creek Forks - PA	Airville	PA
*	23	Adrian	Shank	Shank's Mill Waynesboro PA	Waynesboro	PA
	24	Elizabeth	Shank	Shank's Mill Waynesboro PA	Waynesboro	PA
*	25	Margaret	Sultner	Former Sawmill Owner	York	PA
*	26	Chas	Wagner	Grimshaw Woolen Mill - PA	North East	PA
*	27	Roy (Chip)	Wagner	Heller Wagner Mill - PA	Hellertown	PA
*	28	Andrew	Yeske		Doylestown	PA
*	29	Charles	Yeske	Stover, Durham, Newlin Mills	Doylestown	PA
	30	Rachael	Zuch	Good Hope Mill-PA	Enola	PA

Attachment B

2022 SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Year-to-Date Finance Report

STARTING BALANCE 1/1/2022		\$ 12,606.95
INCOME		
10 Membership Income	\$ 850.00	
20 Donations		
30 Spring Meeting Payments	\$ -	
40 Fall Meeting Registrations	\$ 1,800.00	
50 Other Income	\$ -	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 2,650.00
INCOME PLUS STARTING BALANCE		\$ 15,256.95
EXPENSES		
35 Spring Meeting Expenses	\$ 200.00	
45 Fall Meeting Expenses	\$ 480.00	
55 Mill and SPOOM Project Support	\$ -	
65 Website Costs	\$ 482.05	
75 PayPal Fees	\$ 60.11	
85 Other Exp (Insurance \$373)	\$ 373.00	
95 Postage		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 1,595.16
ENDING BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 9/22/2022		\$ 13,661.79
PAYPAL ACCOUNT BALANCE		\$ -
TOTAL SPOOM MA CASH ASSETS		\$ 13,661.79

Fall Meeting Report	Income	Expenses	Changes
To Date	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 480.00	+ Income
Deposit Refund	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00
*Meals		\$ 930.00	+ Expenses
*Honoraria		\$ 400.00	\$ 1,420.00
*Miscellaneous		\$ 90.00	
*Anticipated Totals 10/05/22	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 12,341.79

2022 SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Year-to-Date Membership Report

<u>MEMBERSHIP TYPES</u>	<u>Count</u>
\$10 Discount Memberships	37
\$15 Basic Memberships	7
\$25 Sustaining Memberships	20
\$50 Organizational Memberships	15
TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS	79