

ORDINANCE NO. 420

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION AND PROVIDING FOR THE MEMBERSHIP THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENTS AND TERMS OF OFFICE; COMPENSATION AND FILLING OF VACANCIES; OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS; ANNUAL BUDGETS; AND ESTABLISHING THE AUTHORITY OF AND RESTRICTIONS ON POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.

SECTION I. Creation of Board; Membership.

There is hereby created a Historical Advisory Commission in and for East Norriton Township. The Commission shall consist of five (5) persons to be appointed by the East Norriton Township Supervisors for such terms as they shall permit. No more than two terms shall expire in any one (1) calendar year.

SECTION III. Appointments; Terms of Office.

The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Supervisors of East Norriton Township for terms of five (5) years, in such order that at least one member's term shall expire annually, the aforesaid appointments for a specified term notwithstanding, a Commission member may stay in office until a successor qualifies or is appointed, or the East Norriton Township Supervisors may remove any member of the Commission, at the pleasure of the Supervisors.

SECTION III. Compensation.

All members of the Historical Advisory Commission shall be residents of East Norriton Township and shall serve without compensation other than for such expenses in connection with their duties on said Commission as the Supervisors may approve in advance.

SECTION IV. Officers; Meetings.

The Historical Advisory Commission shall elect from among its members, at the first meeting thereof, and at the annual meeting in January of each and every year thereafter, a Chairman, Secretary, and such other officers as the said Commission may deem necessary, by a majority vote of the members present at such meeting. Written notice of the annual meeting shall be mailed to each member by the Secretary at least ten (10) days prior to said meeting; regular or special meetings shall be convened at the call of the Chairman, or in such other manner as the members may, by a majority vote, designate.

SECTION V. Annual Budget.

The Historical Advisory Commission, at such times as directed by the Supervisors, shall annually submit for approval to the Supervisors a proposed budget for the ensuing year, setting forth all proposed expenditures, and programs. The Historical Advisory Commission shall not in any manner obligate the Township for the payment of any municipal funds until the same is appropriated by the Township Supervisors.

SECTION VI. Duties.

The Historical Advisory Commission shall undertake the following functions and responsibilities in connection with advising the Supervisors in identifying and preserving historical sites, buildings, papers, documents and relics of historical significance to East Norriton Township.

1. Conduct investigations on historical matters relating to East Norriton Township, and report the same for public information;
2. Collect and disseminate data and information on matters of historical significance to East Norriton Township;
3. Publish a pamphlet or report designating the historical sites or buildings of significant value to the history of East Norriton Township;
4. Make recommendations for suitable plaques or markers to distinguish historic sites and buildings of East Norriton Township;
5. Cooperate with any qualified historical society in investigations of historical matters relating to East Norriton Township;
6. Recommend to the Supervisors a suitable depository and display of historical papers, documents and relics;
7. Cooperate with and encourage the activities of interested citizens to the end that such activities will serve the historical interests of East Norriton Township;
8. The Historical Advisory Commission, by its Chairman or by other members appointed for such purpose by the Chairman, shall make such reports from time to time to the Supervisors as the said Chairman shall deem advisable.

SECTION VII. Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provisions shall be separate, distinct and independent and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Ratification.

This Ordinance shall in no other way affect, amend, or modify the Code of East Norriton Township.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the East Norriton Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania this 20th day of March, 2000.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP

Attest:

Helmut J. K. Paswald Secretary By: John B. Lowley Chairman

