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RESOLUTION NO. 323

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CREATING A HISTORICAL COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SURVEYING THE TOWNSHIP TO DESIGNATE STRUCTURES AND BUILDINGS WHICH MAY BE OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND TO RECOMMEND TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THE CREATION OF A ZONING DISTRICT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL STRUCTURES AND BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, the Lower Makefield Township Board of Supervisors have been requested to create a Historical Commission for the purpose of surveying buildings and structures within the geographic limits of the Township to determine their historical significance; and

WHEREAS, under the general powers granted in the Second Class Township Code and under the general powers granted under the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code the Township would have the power to designate certain buildings and structures as historically significant; and

WHEREAS, under the aforesaid powers the Township Board of Supervisors would have the right and power to enact zoning regulations for the preservation of historically significant structures and buildings; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Board of Supervisors to create a commission to survey and study buildings and structures located within the Township to determine whether or not they have any historical significance and to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that they take action to preserve any such buildings which may have historical significance,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Makefield, County of Bucks, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created within the Township of Lower Makefield a Historical Commission.

SECTION 2. The Commission shall consist of five (5) residents of the Township to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors for a term of two (2) years.

SECTION 3. The duties of the Commission shall be to survey the buildings and structures located within the limits of the Township of Lower Makefield to determine whether or not any such buildings have historical significance. In making this determination the Commission shall be guided by the following broad guidelines:

- (1) Broad historical values representing the cultural, political, economic, or social history of the Township
- (2) Identification of a structure with historic personages
- (3) Identification of a structure with historic events
- (4) Specimen architectural types representative of a certain period and a style or method of construction

SECTION 3. Upon completion of the survey the Commission shall file a report to the Township which shall identify any building and/or structure which they determine has historical significance and should be preserved. The Commission shall give a detailed history of the background of such building and/or structure for the review of the Board of Supervisors.

SECTION 4. Upon completion of the survey the Commission shall also furnish to the Board of Supervisors detailed recommendations as to the method the Board of Supervisors should follow in adopting appropriate amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to preserve the historical nature of buildings and structures.

SECTION 5. The Commission shall complete and file their report within two (2) years from the date of their appointment unless the terms of the Commission is extended by the Board of Supervisors.

RESOLUTION adopted this 22nd day of August, 1977.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD,
BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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