

Brunswick History Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 2:00pm

Present: Dr. Wayne Allgaier (Chairman), Mr. Peter Wenner (Secretary), Mr. David McIntosh (Board Member), Mr. John Faith (Board Member), Mr. Tim Wilson (Board Member), John Caves (City Council Liaison)

The following topics were discussed:

- Business:
 - Brunswick Citizen: Dr. Allgaier will contact the Enoch Pratt Library (EPL) regarding how to get them a complete archive, as they have the funding to microfilm.
 - A grant may be needed for us to fund the work, if the EPL cannot obtain a complete set.
 - Dr. Allgaier will test a microfilm reader, which is available at the Family History Center in Olney.
 - Rules to grant guest access to the train station library: Mr. Caves suggested contacting Carrie Myers about this.
- History:
 - Berlin area history prior to 1787:
 - Location of Pennington's Cabin in 1728.
 - The disposition of land originally granted by the King to John Hawkins in 1753.
 - George Washington's visit to Knoxville for breakfast with John Smith in 1785 for possible discussion of building a town here.
 - When members of the German Settlement migrated to Berlin:
 - German Cemetery (behind old fire hall) dates to 1800.
 - Waltmans and Wenners arrive circa 1830.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.