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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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McCoart Administration Building
Occoquan Conference Room

April 13, 2004
Regular Meeting

In Attendance

Vice Chairman Burgess, Commissioners R. Anderson, S. Anderson, Chock, Cunard, Duley, Harris, Jones, Swavely, Turner

Sharon Pandak – County Attorney; Susan Roltsch – Assistant County Executive; Angela Horan – Assistant County Attorney; Brendon Hanafin – Historic Preservation Manager; Bob Bainbridge – Staff Liaison; Toni Brzyski - Commission Secretary

David Black, Mike Jones, Kimberly Ward, Earl Cunard – Citizens

7:30 PM

Citizens' Time

The Weems-Botts Museum – Kimberly Ward, Administrative Director of The Weems-Botts Museum, requested a donation of \$300 to assist in funding the wallpaper, window treatments and trim portion of their Victorian Parlor project.

Villages of Rippon Lodge

Bob Bainbridge, Planner III, expressed concerns about the Villages of Rippon Lodge project impacting the viewshed for Rippon Lodge and destroying an original remaining segment of King's Highway.

David Black, Attorney for D. R. Horton, the developer, handed out several documents including copies of deeds and proffer statements and provided zoning history on the property.

Mike Jones of D. R. Horton offered additional information for the developer's position in developing the site as planned.

Sharon Pandak, County Attorney, elaborated on the County's position and requested input from the Historical Commission.

RES 04-019 **Support the mitigation measures regarding The Villages of Rippon Lodge as outlined in the Director of Planning's letter to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dated March 18, 2004 with the additional provisions that a County approved archeologist conduct the phase I archeology study and that any artifacts found be given to the County for use at Rippon Lodge.**
- **APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Turner; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey]

RES 04-020 **Approve January 20, 2004 Special Meeting Verbatim Minutes as Amended** - **APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Duley; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

RES 04-021 **Approve March 9, 2004 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Presented** - **APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, S. Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

Vice Chairman's Time No Report.

Staff Liaison's Time **Bushy Park Update** – Bob Bainbridge reported the structure is scheduled to be moved at the end of April or the beginning of May to the Dominion Valley Country Club library site.

Mount Atlas Update – Bob Bainbridge reported the purchase of this property by APVA will not be taking place.

Designated Cultural Resources Update – Bob Bainbridge advised the Commission needs to review the items on page 67 of the agenda package for discussion at the May meeting.

Buckland Preservation Society and APVA Charette – Bob Bainbridge reported he has been invited to a charette on May 7, 2004 at Buckland Farm to assist in preparing a strategic plan for the study and preservation of Buckland.

Old Business **Nomination and Election of Officers** – The Nominating Committee indicated Ron Smith as Chairman and Jim Burgess as Vice-Chairman were the only candidates.

RES 04-022

Accept Ron Smith as Chairman and Jim Burgess as Vice-Chairman of the Historical Commission - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Duley; S. Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris; Abstain Burgess]

Spring Tour – Plans for the tour are moving forward. There are 23 acceptances to date.

Budget and Audit Committee

Budget Update – Commissioner Chock presented the Historical Commission's FY-04 Budget – Month 8 thru February 29, 2004 and Month 9 thru March 31, 2004 reports. Additionally Mr. Chock reported that \$1,200 was allocated for the spring tour, and that there is approximately \$5,000 in the use or lose category.

RES 04-023

Appropriate \$300 to the Weems-Botts Museum to assist in funding the wallpaper, window treatments and trim portion of their Victorian Parlor project – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion S. Anderson, Turner; Approved by acclamation Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

Land Development Application Review

RES 04-024

Phase I Archeological Study Recommendations – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Turner; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

Publications Committee

Marketing of Tayloe Book – The publications committee suggested donating copies of this book as part of a marketing program.

RES 04-025

Donate copies of The Tayloe Family Iron Plantations book to The Octagon Museum, The Manassas Museum, the Virginia Historical Society, The Richmond County Museum, the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society and the Hyltons – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Turner, Duley; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

Publications Sold – Commissioner Burgess reported 6 books were sold during March.

**Publications
Committee
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Book Storage – Bob Bainbridge reported there is an issue regarding the continued storage of Commission publications as there are approximately 30,000 books in the warehouse which is about a 60 year supply based on the current selling level of approximately 500 publications a year. A 20 year supply is considered sufficient.

The publications need to be more aggressively marketed. The possibility of selling them in bookstores, etc. needs to be investigated. Members are requested to bring, to the next meeting, a list of places and contacts to whom to send price lists.

Historical Marker Guide – The guide is about to go to the printer. The Commission selected almond rather than gray for the background color.

Curtis Collection – Although there are only about five copies left in inventory of this publication the Commission decided not to reprint at this time.

Brentsville Trust

Design Work - Commissioner Turner reported the design phase is 50% complete for the courthouse and almost complete for the church.

Cabin – Commissioner Turner reported the cabin will be relocated as soon as weather permits.

New Business

Centex/New Bristow Village Grading Monitoring – Centex is ready to begin grading at the New Bristow Village site and, as proffered, is inviting the Commission to monitor their archeologist, Thunderbird. Anyone interested in participating should contact Bob Bainbridge for details.

Archeology Standards – Commissioner Cunard suggested the Commission adopt archeological standards and, with assistance from professional archeologists, set up a methodology for future projects.

RES 04-026

Investigate the possibility of requiring a monetary contribution for cultural resources for future rezonings in the County - APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, S. Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Cumins, Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Yankey; Absent from vote Harris]

New Business
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Enforcement – Commissioner Cunard mentioned that cultural resource items in the Comprehensive Plan are not enforceable and suggested that zoning text amendments are needed.

Announcements

Identification – New Commission members to be provided with business cards and name badges.

BOCS Appointments – Vice-Chairman Burgess welcomed back Sara Anderson as the new Woodbridge appointee and welcomed new member Ruth Anderson as a Coles District representative to the Historical Commission.

Adjournment

9:45 P.M.