



# COUNTY OF PRINCE WILLIAM

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## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### B R I E F

Old Prince William County Courthouse  
Manassas, Virginia

March 8, 2005  
Regular Meeting

**In Attendance** Chairman Smith, Commissioners R. Anderson, S. Anderson, Burgess, Cunard, Harris (arrived at 8:20), Hawkins, Jones (arrived at 8:15), MacDonald, Swavely, Turner

Bob Bainbridge – Planning Office Liaison; Don Wilson – Library Liaison; Kim Valente – Public Works Liaison; Julia Flanagan – County Arborist; Toni Brzyski - Commission Secretary

Earl Cunard, Leo Smith, Martha Roberts, Doloros Elow, Steven Hopkins, Ellen Percy Miller - Guests/Citizens

**7:30 PM**

**Citizens' Time** **Request for Funding** – Martha Roberts of Historic Occoquan, Inc. thanked the Historical Commission for its previous support and requested funds for the Mill House Museum in order to repair and expand the electrical system (\$1500) and to create two new outside exhibits (\$5000).

**Request for Funding** – Leo Smith, representing the Town of Occoquan, requested funds to paint the Occoquan Town Hall (\$5,500).

**Request for Funding** – Ellen Percy Miller, Executive Director, Turn the Mill Around Campaign, requested funds to assist with Phase II of the stabilization project for Beverley (Chapman's) Mill.

RES 05-010 **Approve February 8, 2005 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Amended - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED**  
[VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, Cunard; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Harris, Jones; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Duley, Yankey]

**Chairman's Time** No report.

**Vice Chairman's Time** No report.

**Staff Time**

**Champion Trees** – Julia Flanagan, County Arborist, provided information about the planned Prince William County Champion and Historic Tree Registry and requested assistance identifying historic trees. It was additionally noted that the Board of County Supervisors is scheduled to establish and recognize the registry on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Preserve America Community Designation** – Bob Bainbridge reported the package to receive this designation was completed and mailed to the President's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

**Archeology** – Mr. Bainbridge reported the archeologist position is being advertised and the expectation is to have the post filled in April.

**Woodlawn** – Mr. Bainbridge reported there is a possibility Woodlawn will become the first property in the revolving fund program.

**Revolving Fund Candidate** – Kim Valente reported that due to the lack of a quorum at their last meeting the Historic Preservation Foundation took no action on choosing a revolving fund candidate.

**Funding** – Ms. Valente requested funds to purchase photographs and furnishings for Ben Lomond.

**Events** – Ms. Valente distributed flyers for upcoming Historic Preservation Division sponsored events.

**Newsletter** – Ms. Valente reported the next edition of the Historic Preservation Newsletter would be distributed in April.

**Old Business**

**Dumfries Marker** – Chairman Smith reported he contacted a firm interested in repairing the marker. This contractor will register as a County vendor. The marker will be rededicated after the work is complete.

**Nominating Committee** – Commissioner Burgess reported Commissioner Duley would like to be added to the slate of candidates for the position of Chairman.

**Budget and  
Audit  
Committee**

**Budget Update** – The Historical Commission's FY-05 Budget – Month 8 thru February 28, 2005 report as prepared by Commissioner Chock was presented by Chairman Smith who noted there is \$6,700 in the use or lose category.

**Publications  
Committee**

**Publications Sold** – Commissioner Burgess reported 14 publications were sold and 23 publications were given away last month.

**Inventory** – Mr. Burgess reported there are no copies of *The Curtis Collection* in the Commission’s inventory and the Commission should consider reprinting.

RES 05-011      **To authorize reprinting/republishing *The Curtis Collection* by Don Curtis - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Burgess, Hawkins; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Duley, Yankey]

**Historical Marker** – Don Wilson will provide text for the Glascock family marker proffered by First Baptist Church of Woodbridge.

**Historic Properties**      **Villages at Rippon Lodge** – Commissioner Cunard requested an update on protection of the King’s Highway. Kim Valente reported the section of King’s Highway to be given to the County has been fenced and is regularly visited by staff.

**Land Development Application Review**  
RES 05-012      **Phase I Archeological Study Recommendations** – **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Burgess; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Duley, Yankey]

**Brentsville Trust**      **Church** – Commissioner MacDonald reported the contract for the interior work on the church is going out for bid.

**Projects** – Ms. MacDonald reported Bob Bainbridge previously provided copies of an application to nominate the Brentsville School to the National Register of Historic Places.

**Brentsville Trust (continued)**      **Hoffman Award** – Sara Anderson reported she attended the presentation to the Board of County Supervisors of this award received by the Trust. A reduced version of the archeology exhibit, some artifacts and the award will be placed in the Commission’s space in the locked cases in the atrium of the McCoart building for the time being.

**New Business**      The requests for funding were discussed.

RES 05-013

**To appropriate funds to the Occoquan Mill House Museum (\$1500 for electrical work and \$2200 for the Mill Race exhibit); the Town of Occoquan towards painting the Town Hall (\$1000); the Turn the Mill Around Campaign for the Beverley Mill stabilization project (\$1000) and Prince William County Public Works toward purchasing furnishings for Ben Lomond (\$1000).** - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Swavely, S. Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Duley, Yankey]

Commissioner Cunard inquired about accountability regarding the disbursement of funds to the various organizations.

**Dale City Shopping Center Naming** – Possible names were discussed and Hoadley Market Place appeared to be the favorite.

**Murals** – Chairman Smith thanked members for their input on the murals.

**Announcements** **Events** – Copies of a press release describing several upcoming events at the Manassas Museum were distributed.

**Adjournment**

**10:00 P.M.**