



# COUNTY OF PRINCE WILLIAM

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## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### B R I E F

McCoart Administration Building  
Potomac Conference Room

June 14, 2005  
Regular Meeting

**In Attendance** Chairman Duley, Commissioners R. Anderson, Burgess, Chock, Cumins, Cunard, Harris, Hawkins, Jones, MacDonald, Smith, Swavely, Turner, Yankey

Justin Patton – County Archeologist; Don Wilson – Library Liaison; Delain Clark Fink – Public Works Department; Toni Brzyski - Commission Secretary

Lillian Gaskill, Pat Knock, Darlene Farmer, Bill Olson, Steven Hopkins - Guests/Citizens

**7:30 PM**

**Citizens' Time** **Lucasville School** – Lillian Gaskill provided background and an update on the Lucasville School project.

**Network to Freedom** – Pat Knock presented an overview of her current research on the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom and supplied a document for copying and distribution to the Commission.

RES 05-027 **Approve May 10, 2005 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Presented - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, Swavely; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting S. Anderson]

**Chairman's Time** No report.

**Vice Chairman's Time** **Congratulations** – Jim Burgess congratulated Becky Cumins on her new grandchild and on her new job at the Museum of the Confederacy.

**Staff Time** **Archeology** – Justin Patton referred members to the letters and chart included in the agenda package. The Commission indicated it was pleased with the extent of detail Mr. Patton provided in his comments.

**Staff Time  
(continued)**

**Cultural Resources Checklist** – Mr. Patton explained the cultural resources checklist has been revised and includes an additional map reference. Copies of the map will be provided to the Commission when available.

**Old Business**

**Designated Cultural Resources** – Commissioner Cunard requested the current status on this issue as it was recently discussed at a Board of County Supervisors’ meeting. Staff to provide an update to the Commission.

**Tour** – Commissioner Cunard requested email confirmation from those members planning to attend the boat tour on June 18<sup>th</sup> and suggested the group meet at the McCoart building.

**Budget and  
Audit  
Committee**

**Budget Update** – Commissioner Smith distributed copies of the Historical Commission’s FY-05 Budget – Month 11 thru May 30, 2005. Mr. Smith reported \$45.31 in the use or lose category. Staff review indicated \$1000+ available to spend. Discussion followed on whether to attempt to disburse some of the previously appropriated funds.

RES 05-028

**To disburse funds to the Turn the Mill Around Campaign for the Beverley Mill stabilization project (\$1000) as previously appropriated - NOT APPROVED - MOTION FAILED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Harris, Cunard; Ayes 5, Nays 9; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting S. Anderson]**

**Publications  
Committee**

**Publications Sold** – Commissioner Burgess reported 44 publications were given away and 4 publications were sold last month.

**Prince William County Public Schools** – Mr. Burgess reported the schools have requested permission to copy the workbooks entitled “Discover Prince William County”, “Discover the People of Prince William County” and “Discover Historic Brentsville”. Need to determine how this can be done.

**Historic  
Properties**

**Willow Green** – Don Wilson reported he and Chairman Duley attended a meeting about the property. The age and historical importance of the buildings was discussed. Options to save the buildings are being sought.

**Woodlawn** – Commissioner Burgess referred members to the letters included in the agenda package for an update on this property.

**LaGrange** - Commissioner Burgess reported there is a possibility this building will be torn down.

**Bristoe Station Battlefield** – Members reviewed information in the agenda packet regarding the proposal to erect a monopole within the battlefield.

RES 05-029      **To write a letter to the Federal Communications Commission stating the Historical Commission's objection to the placement of a monopole within the Bristoe Station battlefield.** - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Burgess, Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting S. Anderson]

**Land  
Development  
Application  
Review**

RES 05-030      **Phase I Archeological Study Recommendations** – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Turner; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting S. Anderson]

**Brentsville  
Trust**      **Appointments to the Trust** – Sara Anderson was appointed as the Historical Commission representative to the Brentsville Trust with Jane MacDonald as the alternate representative.

**Announcements**      **Buckland Presentation** – Members interested in attending can meet at Buckland or at the Greenwich Presbyterian Church. Commissioner Yankey to provide details and directions.

**Events** – Commissioner Harris invited members to attend a Sock Hop on June 24<sup>th</sup> at the Prince William Academy to raise funds for the primary health care van project.

**Adjournment**

**9:10 PM**