



# COUNTY OF PRINCE WILLIAM

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## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### B R I E F

McCoart Administration Building  
Occoquan Conference Room

July 12, 2005  
Regular Meeting

**In Attendance** Chairman Duley, Commissioners R. Anderson, S. Anderson, Burgess, Chock, Cunard, Harris (left at 8:50), Hawkins, MacDonald, Smith, Swavely, Turner

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

Supervisor Covington - Guests/Citizens

7:30 PM

**Citizens' Time** **Lucasville School** – Supervisor Covington thanked the Commissioners for all the work they do and discussed the possibility of moving the Lucasville School to the Old Manassas Courthouse/Bennett School area. Mr. Covington indicated he had met with staff and the project as previously outlined is progressing but the square footage available at the Pulte site might not be sufficient so a suggestion to move the school was being investigated.

RES 05-031 **Approve June 14, 2005 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Amended - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Swavely; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Cumins, Jones, Yankey]

**Chairman's Time** No report.

**Vice Chairman's Time** **Earthworks** – Commissioner Burgess distributed copies of a map on which the location of still existing Civil War earthworks was highlighted and discussed their importance. The site is not threatened.

**Staff Time** **Bristoe Station Monopole** – Justin Patton reported the County achieved consulting party status on this project and the applicant has provided an alternate location for staff review.

**Staff Time (continued)** **Historic Preservation Foundation** – Delain Clark Fink provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Foundation and encouraged members to join. Discussion followed about individual and/or Commission representation.

**Resignation** – Brendon Hanafin reported Kim Valente resigned.

**Woodlawn** – Mr. Hanafin distributed copies of a letter from the Department of Historic Resources stating that Woodlawn is recommended eligible for nomination to the national and state registers. Additionally, Mr. Hanafin reported the County was awarded a Certified Local governments matching grant to assist in the preparation of a National Register nomination for Woodlawn.

**Lucasville School** – Mr. Hanafin reported this project is moving forward as planned. Pulte has indicated they may be able to deed the property in August after sign off on the next subdivision plan section.

**Request for Funding** – Mr. Hanafin distributed copies of a request for funding from the Historic Preservation Division to purchase “period” lighting equipment for evening tours at historic sites.

**Martin Scarlett Markers** – Mr. Hanafin reported the markers should be on their way to Rippon next week.

**Dumfries Marker** – Mr. Hanafin reported the work on the marker has been contracted and construction will probably begin in the fall.

**Civil War Trail Signs** – Mr. Hanafin reported the Ewell’s Chapel sign has been installed and the Greenwich sign is in process.

**Tombstone** – Commissioner Turner asked if the marker found on Coverstone Drive had been installed at the Repository. Mr. Hanafin advised he would check on this.

**Commendation** – Commissioner Cunard commended County staff for their work in gaining the County recognition as a *Preserve America* Community.

**Thanks** – Commissioner Harris thanked Mr. Hanafin and his staff for the programs for children they have sponsored.

## **Old Business**

**Designated Cultural Resources Update** – Justin Patton reported staff will be submitting resolutions to the Board of County Supervisors for Comprehensive Plan Amendments for Designated Cultural Resources (DCR) that are already identified and either owned by the County or whose owners have agreed to DCR designation. Additionally, as staff time permits, owners of properties that could be granted DCR status will be contacted for permission to include their properties.

**Budget and  
Audit  
Committee**

**Budget Update** – Commissioner Smith distributed copies of the Historical Commission’s FY-06 Budget.

RES 05-032

**To disburse funds to the Occoquan Mill House Museum (\$2200 for the Mill Race exhibit) and to the Turn the Mill Around Campaign for the Beverley Mill stabilization project (\$1000) as previously appropriated - NOT APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Smith, Hawkins; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Cumins, Jones, Yankey]

**Publications  
Committee**

**Publications Sold** – Commissioner Burgess reported 21 publications were sold and 10 publications were given away last month.

**Meeting** – There will be no publications committee meeting in August.

**Historical Marker Guide** – It was agreed that since there are no more guides in inventory the existing guide will be reprinted, however, work should begin now on updating the current guide.

**History of Prince William** – Printing this publication will require permission, pricing and editing of the document.

**Historic  
Properties**

**Buckland** – Chairman Duley thanked members for their participation during the presentation at Buckland and requested Ms. Brzyski send a thank you letter to the Buckland Preservation Society for their hospitality. Additionally, Ms. Duley reported she spoke with Chairman Connaughton’s office and understands that the Commission can endorse historical issues regarding Buckland but should not participate in discussions regarding transportation issues.

**Land  
Development  
Application  
Review**

RES 05-033

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

**Brentsville  
Trust**

**Partnership** – Jane MacDonald reported the partnership agreement between the Friends and the Public Schools is scheduled to be signed at the General Membership Meeting of the Friends on July 14, 2005.

**Tavern** – Ms. MacDonald reported the final draft report on the tavern site has been received from Mary Washington for review and comment.

**Courthouse** - Ms Macdonald reported the updated information and detail drawings from Dr. Carl Lounsbury of Colonial Williamsburg have been sent to the Department of Historic Resources for review.

**National Register** – Brendon Hanafin reported an update of the various existing historic property and historic district designations regarding the Brentsville site is underway. The update will include expansion of the area to incorporate the tavern site and the church. A committee has been formed to decide what research is necessary and complete a new National Register nomination.

**Old Business**      **Markers** – Commissioner Burgess inquired if the Ewell’s Chapel Civil War Trails marker had been paid for. Brendon Hanafin agreed to check on this.

**New Business**      **Foundation** – Commissioner Smith suggested tabling until next month the question of whether the Historical Commission should join the Historic Preservation Foundation.

**Request for Funding** – Commissioner Smith suggested tabling, until next month, the request for funding received tonight from Brendon Hanafin.

**Old Business**      **Fall Tour** – Discussion. Agreement reached to organize a fall tour of the western end of the county and to pick a date and stick with the date even if it conflicts with other activities. October 15<sup>th</sup> was chosen as a tentative date for the tour. Commissioners Burgess and Yankey to discuss the details.

RES 05-034      **To organize a fall tour of the western end of the county and allocate \$1500 to pay for it. - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Swavely, Turner; Amend Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Harris; Absent from meeting Cumins, Jones, Yankey]**

**Announcements**      **Events** – Don Wilson reported RELIC is sponsoring a research tour to the Library of Congress, the National Archives and the DAR Library in Washington D.C. on September 29, 2005.

**Publications** – Commissioner MacDonald reported former Commissioner Darlene Farmer has a full page write-up in the DAR magazine.

**Request** – Commissioner Cunard requested Don Wilson, Library Liaison, have a regular listing on the agenda under staff time.

**Adjournment**

**9:10 PM**