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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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McCoart Administration Building
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April 11, 2006
Regular Meeting

In Attendance Chairman Duley, Commissioners R. Anderson, S. Anderson, Brown, Burgess, Cunard, Hawkins, Jones, MacDonald, Stickley, Swavely, Turner, Yankey

Bob Bainbridge – Staff Liaison; Heather Hembrey - Public Works Liaison; Don Wilson – Library Liaison; Toni Brzyski - Commission Secretary

7:32 PM

Citizens' Time None

RES 06-012 **Approve March 14, 2006 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Presented**
- **APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, Swavely; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Abstain Cunard; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

Chairman's Time - Interview

Chairman Duley reported she spoke with a reporter from the Bull Run Observer regarding County Archaeologist, Justin Patton.

Events - Chairman Duley invited everyone to attend the dedication and grand opening ceremony for the Earl M. Cunard Park at Ridgefield Village on April 15, 2006 at 10:00 am.

Vice Chairman's Time – Cemetery Clean-Up

Vice Chairman Burgess reported a number of individuals from several associations participated in a clean-up of the 10th Alabama Cemetery at Bristow recently and requested the Historical Commission send them thank you letters.

Mr. Burgess will provide names and addresses to Toni Brzyski to produce thank you letters.

Staff Time

Cemetery Update – Bob Bainbridge suggested members review the Grayson's Tomb report included in the agenda package.



Birthday Celebrations – Heather Hembrey reported four of the County's Historical sites were open with programs scheduled to participate in the celebration of the County's 275th Birthday on March 25th.

Events – Ms. Hembrey distributed flyers for Easter activities at Rippon Lodge on April 15 and for the Prince William Cavalry event at the Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre on April 29 and 30.

General Report – Ms. Hembrey provided an update on what's happening in the Historic Preservation Division including: Phase I of the Ben Lomond graffiti project is complete; and the restoration work at Rippon Lodge and Brentsville is moving forward.

Archaeology – Ms. Hembrey reported she and Justin Patton, County Archaeologist, are working on an archaeology survey at Rippon Lodge.

Events - Don Wilson reported he sent out an email to members with information on upcoming events. One of the future activities is a program presented by the staff of RELIC, on learning the basics of genealogy, scheduled for May 23, 2006 at 7:30 pm at Bull Run Regional Library.

Old Business

RES 06-013

Election of Officers

To elect Betty Duley as Chairman and Jim Burgess as Vice-Chairman of the Historical Commission – **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Turner; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Abstain Burgess, Duley; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

Spring Tour – Commissioner Burgess reminded members the spring tour will be on Saturday, May 13, 2006. Ms. Brzyski advised it would be helpful to know as early as possible which members plan to attend. Members requested an email to remind them to RSVP.

**Budget and
Audit Committee**

Budget Update – Copies of the Historical Commission's FY-06 Budget – Month 9 thru March 28, 2006, were distributed.

**Disbursements
Committee**

Update – Commissioner Cunard reported three applications for funds have been received. RELIC requested \$2,925 for microfilm of “Southern Claims Commission Approved Claims, 1871-1880: Virginia”. The Historic Preservation Division requested \$5,000 to support the furnishing and interpretive plans for the Lucasville School. The Historic Preservation Foundation requested \$5,000 toward the salary for a proposed development director. Discussion followed.

**Publications
Committee**

Book Sales Report – Commissioner Burgess reported 30 publications were given away and 15 were sold in March.

Book Donation to GMU History Professor – Commissioner Burgess reported a request was received for the Commission to donate a five year supply of books for a history class with an estimated 12-15 students using five different books. Discussion followed.

RES 06-014

To allow the GMU History Professor to purchase 12 to 15 copies of five different books, one time, at half the regular advertised price. – **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Yankey; Approved 8 to 5; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

New Publication - Commissioner Burgess suggested, as there may be an opportunity to publish a Master Thesis on Beverly Mill, this could be a project for next year.

“A History of Prince William County” – Staff received an estimate from the County Print Shop of \$3 per copy to reprint George Brown’s publication.

RES 06-015

To allocate \$3,000 for the Prince William County Print Shop to reprint 1000 copies, at \$3 each, of “A History of Prince William County” by George Brown – **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Burgess, MacDonald; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

Prince William’s Disappearing Towns and Other Places – Staff received a price from the County Print Shop of \$4 each to copy and bind the rough draft of this document along with the letter from Dennis Ekberg and including a heavier stock cover page with the Commission’s logo.

- RES 06-016 **To allocate \$120 for the Prince William County Print Shop to copy and bind 30 copies, at \$4 each, of the rough draft of the document “Prince William’s Disappearing Towns and Other Places” along with the letter from Dennis Ekberg and including a heavier stock cover page with the Commission’s logo – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Burgess, S. Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]
- RES 06-017 **To appropriate \$2,000 from FY 2007 to develop a new historical marker for the Washington Rochambeau Wagon Route – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion MacDonald, Turner; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]
- RES 06-018 **To allocate \$2,925 to RELIC, based on the attached request, for microfilm of “Southern Claims Commission Approved Claims, 1871-1880: Virginia” – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Burgess, Brown; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

Land Development Application Reviews

- RES 06-019 **Phase I Archeological Study Recommendations – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, Cunard; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Chock, Cumins, Smith]

Brentsville Trust No Report

New Business **Walk of Fame** – Commissioner S. Anderson reported Lucy Phinney will be included on the Walk of Fame.

Announcements **Oral History** – Commissioner R. Anderson reported that the interview and recording of Mr. Samsky on February 28 was a success.

Adjournment

8:55 PM