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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

B R I E F

Development Services Building
Conference Rooms 202 A & B

January 13, 2009
Regular Meeting

In Attendance

Vice Chairman Burgess, Commissioners Anderson, Culp (arrived @ 7:34 PM and left @ 8:34 PM while the Commission was in closed session), Cunard, Frank, Hawkins, MacDonald, Olson, Smith, Stickley, Swavely, Van Derlaske, Wright

John Lassiter – Staff Liaison; Don Wilson – Library Liaison; Toni Brzyski - Commission Secretary

Jerry MacDonald – Citizens/Guests

7:32 PM

Citizens' Time

No citizens spoke.

RES 09-001

Approve the agenda for the January 13, 2009 meeting as amended - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

RES 09-002

Authorize Closed Meeting - RESCINDED - ~~APPROVED~~ - ~~MOTION CARRIED~~ [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

RES 09-003

Approve December 9, 2008 Meeting Brief and Resolutions as Presented - RESCINDED - APPROVED - MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Swavely, Wright; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

Chairman's Time

In the absence of Chairman Duley; Vice Chairman Burgess presided at tonight's Commission meeting.

Elections – Vice Chairman Burgess reminded members that the nominating committee is elected in February. Commissioner Smith volunteered to serve on the nominating committee.

**Staff Time –
Planning**

Comprehensive Plan Amendments – John Lassiter reported 21 comprehensive plan amendments, including 13 generated by LUAC, have been received for review. Mr. Lassiter requested members volunteer to review those in which they have a particular interest.

**Staff Time –
Public Works**

No report.

**Staff Time -
Libraries**

Activities – Don Wilson reported he sent out an email last week with information on upcoming activities and programs.

Old Business

General Ewell Project – Commissioners reviewed the text for the historical marker for Stony Lonesome Farm/General Richard S. Ewell.

RES 09-004

Accept the language included in this resolution, which is as presented in the January 13, 2009, agenda package after combining the text into one paragraph and spelling out rather than abbreviating lieutenant, for the Stony Lonesome Farm/General Richard S. Ewell historical marker - **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Swavely, Anderson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

RES 09-005

Allocate funds not to exceed \$2500 for fabrication, purchase and installation of the Stony Lonesome Farm/General Richard S. Ewell historical marker - **APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Smith, Van Derlaske; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote None; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

The Buckland Dichotomy – Commissioner Wright distributed background information about the Buckland area and expressed the need for interested organizations to work together and think outside the box.

RES 09-006

Certify Closed Meeting RESCINDED ~~Adjourned into Closed Meeting at 8:08 p.m.; Reported out for Closed Meeting at 8:38 p.m. –~~
APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Cunard, Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

**Cemeteries
Committee**

Report - Commissioner Olson reported that the Cemeteries Committee didn't meet; however, he suggested that it was time to provide some official recognition to Justin Patton, County Archaeologist, for his contributions to the Historical Commission. Discussion followed.

RES 09-007 **Agree to provide a letter of commendation for Justin Patton, County Archaeologist, in recognition of his outstanding efforts on behalf of the Historical Commission** - APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED
[VOTING RECORD: Motion Olson, Cunard; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

Budget and Audit Committee **Budget Update** – Copies of the Historical Commission’s FY-09 Budget – Month 6 thru December 31, 2008 were distributed. Commissioner Smith requested action on the \$4.02 that is the difference between the cost of the December holiday meal and the amount collected from members.

RES 09-008 **Agree to retain in the budget the \$4.02 in line item 5411 collected from members in excess of the actual cost of the December holiday meal** - APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED [VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, Olson; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

Publications Committee Commissioner Burgess reported the Committee reviewed and approved the text for the Stony Lonesome Farm/General Richard S. Ewell historical marker.

Update – Toni Brzyski reported the scanning software the Commission purchased has been installed; unfortunately, it’s not compatible with the scanner connected to the Commission’s computer so an extra step will be added to the process.

Disbursements Committee No report.

Legislative Committee **Update** – Commissioner Cunard reported the General Assembly opens tomorrow.

Historic Properties No report

Bylaws Committee **Update** – Members discussed the current draft of the bylaws especially the addition of a parliamentarian under Article IV. Officers.

RES 09-009 **Approve the bylaws as presented** - MOTION FAILED TO CARRY
[VOTING RECORD: Motion Hawkins, MacDonald; Failed; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

RES 09-010 **Approve the bylaws as amended with the removal of the proposed parliamentary position under ARTICLE IV. Officers items A and B - APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion MacDonald, Smith; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

**Historical
Plaques
Committee**

Presentation – Commissioner Swavely reported a plaque was presented to the owner of the Agnewville Post Office, Sharron Hopkins, who was very pleased to receive this recognition. Future presentations may take place at meetings of the Board of County Supervisors rather than at the specific sites.

Land Development Application Reviews

RES 09-011 **Phase I Archeological Study Recommendations – APPROVED – MOTION CARRIED** [VOTING RECORD: Motion Swavely, Cunard; Approved by acclamation; Absent from vote Culp; Absent from meeting Duley, Yankey]

Brentsville Trust **Update** – Commissioner Cunard reported the Trust meets Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 1:30 PM in the One Room School at the site.

**Historic
Preservation
Foundation**

Update – Commissioner Anderson reported the Foundation didn't meet in December but is scheduled to meet on January 28, 2009.

New Business

County Registered Historic Sites (CRHS) Potential Nominations – John Lassiter distributed a list of African-American Heritage Sites for future CRHS consideration. Members are encouraged to provide additional suggestions to broaden the scope of the CRHS list to more completely represent the evolution of Prince William County.

Adjournment

9:32 PM