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CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE Monday August 9, 2010 * 11:00 a.m. – Noon NDS Conference Room * 610 East Market Street

Members Present:

Mark Beliles
Mary Hill Caperton
Helena Devereux
Genevieve Keller
Steven Meeks

Mary Joy Scala, Staff

Members Absent:

Melanie Miller Winston Churchill Gooding Ingrid Smyer-Kelly

1. Call to order and agenda changes

Helena Devereux called the meeting to order at 11:00.

2. Approval of Minutes – July 12, 2010

Ms. Caperton moved to approve the minutes.

Ms. Devereux seconded the motion.

The minutes were unanimously approved by acclamation.

3. Education & Public Meetings

PAPA Fall event Tiverton Thu Sept 23

Mary Joy Scala gave an update on the planning of the Fall PAPA event. Ms. Helena Devereux cannot attend the event.

Genevieve Keller suggested that the Historic Resources Committee budget \$100 to encourage all five City Councilors to attend. If all cannot attend, then the money could be used for the Planning Commission, BAR, or HRC chairs. This proposal passed unanimously.

Charlottesville's 250th Anniversary (2012)

Ric Barrick, Nancy Damon, Mary Joy Scala, Steven Meeks, and Mark Beliles met to get plans underway. The first public meeting will take place on August 24 from 6-8 p.m. in City Space. Planning is in the very beginning stages. They need to develop a broad group of people. The anniversary celebration will be a yearlong event, culminating with an event in November 2012.

4. Public Commemoration

Transit Center Display

Mary Joy Scala will order the boards this month for the Transit Center display case. Helena Devereux said the next display will be about Paul McIntire.

Markers

Mary Joy Scala reported that the Charlottesville 12 marker would be handled by an action team created during the *Dialogue on Race* meetings. Mary Joy was asked to invite an action team representative to discuss the marker with the Historic Resources Committee.

Mary Joy will again send the McGuffey State marker wording to everyone. Helena Devereux will discuss the Gilmer and Harvie (Pen Park) markers with Mark Beliles.

5. Publications

Walking Tour brochure

Steven Meeks, Genevieve Keller, Mary Hill Caperton and Mark Beliles need to look at the existing text.

The brochure needs to be folded to standard size.

Genevieve wondered why City Hall photo was included while other landmark buildings were not.

6. Special Projects

Old Jail Update

Steven Meeks is working with contractors and museum exhibit designers on getting prices. Mr. Meeks also met with the County Attorney about transferring the property to Albemarle-Charlottesville Historical Society (ACHS) through a long term lease agreement. He said the County is looking to ACHS to be responsible for doing upgrades and maintenance. Top priority is stabilization of the wall. Also putting the porch back and relocating the fire suppression system from the center of the jailer's house.

Helena Devereux suggested a history of the criminal justice system – there are questions about the types of transgressions that landed people in jail. Was it segregated by race and gender?

Steven said they are going to do archaeological work in the jail yard. Steven offered to show the jail to anyone who is interested.

7. Other Business

Mary Joy was asked to look at the new bylaws to see if a quorum is required when approving minutes.

8. Goals for next meeting

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at noon.