

**HISTORIC RESOURCE TASK FORCE
March 14, 2001 – 3:30 P.M.
BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**

- 1. Approval of Minutes**
- 2. Status of Court Square Project**
- 3. Charlottesville Tour Book Status**
- 4. Discussion of New State Historic Markers**
- 5. Discussion of Local Markers**
- 6. Maplewood Cemetery Project**
- 7. Other Business**

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Historic Resources Task Force
Minutes
February 14, 2001

Present:

Mary Hill Caperton
Ingrid Smyer-Kelly
Winston Churchill Gooding
Mark Beliles
Satyendra Huja

The meeting began at 3:30 p.m. The minutes of January 10, 2001 were approved, moved by Winston Churchill Gooding and seconded by Ingrid Smyer-Kelley.

Mr. Huja gave a brief report of the status of the court square project. He stated that the consultant's contract has been signed and he is now revising the concept plan. The archeological and survey work has started. The City has also applied for the TEA - 21 grant for 5th street, from Court Square to the Downtown Mall. Ms. Caperton commented that the garden club is interested in helping with the Court Square project.

The two state markers for Woolen Mill and General Hospital have been installed and the opening ceremony will be held in the middle of March. The state historic marker for General Vandegrift will be installed soon and a ceremony for its opening will be held on April 3, 2002.

Mr. Huja stated that he has found out the name of a sign maker who built the sign in Lee Park. The committee felt that we should check with more than one sign maker and be sure that the signs are waterproof.

The following people were assigned the responsibility for doing the wording for the local and state markers:

Winston Churchill Gooding – Burley School and Carver Inn

Rick Britton – University Corner and Vinegar Hill

Mark Beliles - Court Square

Ben Ford – Georgio O'Keefe House

Mr. Huja informed the committee that Gabe Silverman would welcome a local marker in front of Mt. Zion Church on Ridge Street. Ms. Caperton is attempting to contact Rev. Alvin Edwards.

Mr. Beliles informed the committee that he has spoken with Leslie Andrews of Lexus Company and has gotten a positive response as to the publication of the tour book. There are two alternatives; the first one is that they will print the book for free as long as it meets their format requirements. The second one is

that they will donate money for printing. Ms. Smyer-Kelley will continue to look for other funding sources.

The committee discussed possible new members to be invited to join the group subject to City Council's approval. They discussed Mr. Howard Newland, Helena Devereaux, Lloyd Smith, Garrett Smith, Theresa Walker-Price and Theresa Dowd -West.

Ms. Caperton brought up an idea for a new Historic Resources Task Force project. She suggested that we should work with the Lexington Neighborhood Association to work on the Maplewood. Cemetery tour guide and maintenance. This issue will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Beliles reported that there will be a Lewis & Clark Festival on October 13 and November 16. The museum is still being pursued.

There was a discussion of a possibility of corporate funds for the Court Square improvements.

Mr. Huja informed the committee that the Court Facility Study committee would be making their recommendations to City Council and the Board of Supervisors by end of this month.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. The next meeting will be March 14, 2001.