# Minutes CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE Monday February 13, 2012 \* 11:00 a.m. – Noon NDS Conference Room \* 610 East Market Street

## Members Present:

Melanie Miller Edwina St. Rose Mary Hill Caperton Steven Meeks Mark Beliles Genevieve Keller Winston Churchill Gooding

### Members Absent:

Helena Devereux

#### Staff:

Mary Joy Scala Kristin Rourke (arrived late)

- 1. Call to order Melanie Miller called the meeting to order at 11:04.
- 2. Approval of Minutes January 9, 2012 Caperton moved approval and Meeks seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously, except Keller abstained since she was not at the meeting.
- 3. Education & Public Meetings

Update: Charlottesville's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (2012) – Mark Beliles gave an update. Sunday November 11 at JPJ Arena there will be a gala event, including dinner for 100+ VIP guests. The whole community is then invited for entertainment. Monday November 12 is the actual anniversary with daytime activities. The City has hired aan event planner for the gala and daytime events.

Update"Where I Live-Stories from Yesterday and Today" at Cville Coffee – The first of the series was at C'ville Coffee at 3pm Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup> and featured West Main Street. Preston Coiner and John Shepherd presented slides and the room was full. More publicity is needed from the Celebrate 250 organization. Edwina St. Rose suggested Channel 10 could tape the series, or perhaps C-cillepedia. Melanie Miller said that the Martha Jefferson presentation was changed to March 18.

4. Public Commemoration

Transit Center – no updates.

Markers Updates

McGuffey Marker and Gilmer Marker – Mary Joy Scala said she is obtaining owners'

signatures.

New Bronze Markers – Kristin Rourke said she would re-send the bronze Court Square markers to be reviewed. The Slave Block marker will go in the City sidewalk, since the property owner does not want it on their building. The Committee is awaiting an update on the bronze marker text from Helena Devereux.

Bus Posters – The Committee like "The Main Attraction" for the mall bus poster. Melanie Miller suggested adaptive re-use posters. There was discussion about her list of posters. The Committee said to start with Lee Park. Miller said the Committee originally voted to do 7 bus posters, and we have done 5. Steven Meeks moved for 8 more posters funded by the Committee. Genevieve Keller seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Publications – Scala has the walking tour brochures in her office, which need to be taken to Celebrate 250 events.

#### 6. Special Projects

Mark Beliles said the Celebrate 250 folks are working on a history of Charlottesville. He will circulate a draft for comments.

The Cemetery Committee Meeting is meeting today after this meeting to produce guidelines for caring for three City-owned cemeteries.

Audio Tour – all signs are up. Rourke is getting celebrate 250 stickers to put on them. She is setting up a press conference. She requested more rack cards. Meeks moved to order 1000 rack cards. Miller seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## 7. Other Business

Annual Plan 2012 – delete 1.b., 4.b., and 7. Update the committee list. Add "Cooperate with Virginia Festival of History." Meeks moved to adopt the 2012 plan. Caperton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Goals for next meeting Work on committee list.
- 9. Adjourn Caperton moved and Beliles seconded. The motion passed unanimously.