

MINUTES

CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

*Monday May 12, 2014 * 11:00 am – Noon * NDS Conference Room * 610 East Market Street*

Members Present

Winston Churchill Gooding
Melanie Miller, Co-Chair
Ellen Wagner
Dede Smith
Edwina St. Rose, Co-Chair
Liz Sargent
Genevieve Keller
Mary Hill Caperton

Members Absent

Steven Meeks, Ex-Officio ACHS
Evelyn Mason (extended leave)

Staff

Mary Joy Scala

CALL TO ORDER

Melanie Miller called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Liz Sargent moved to approve the March minutes as submitted. Ellen Wagner seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously

PUBLIC COMMEMORATION

Benjamin Tonsler Marker: The marker has been ordered. Dede Smith had hoped we could have a table set up at Tonsler Park on May 25. Staff could not do this because it was Memorial Day weekend.

Court Square Markers: Melanie Miller asked if they had been ordered. She also suggested taking Madeleine to lunch to discuss the status of the markers.

Mary Hill Caperton suggested that the new intern be included.

Bus Posters: Dede Smith is Chair of CAT Advisory Board. She said the Committee had talked about CAT perhaps allowing us to keep an exterior poster in place until someone wanted to replace it. We can specify the bus size but not the route.

Street Signs: Melanie Miller explained she is the hold-up. She is looking into ordering signs online, but needs specs from Purchasing. Mary Hill Caperton said this is a one-time deal and we should just spend the money. Mary Joy suggested doing the pedestrian signs now.

Cemeteries: Liz Sargent liked staff's proposed text edits. Liz will send the text out again. A plaque will go on the wall at Maplewood. It will be freestanding at Daughters of Zion and Oakwood. Additional information will go on the web site. Dede Smith likes the idea of an audio app. Melanie Miller said the next step is to order the markers. Chris Gensic is willing to pay for part.

Historic App: Dede Smith asked if the Committee can create a historic app, such as an audio tour for our historic markers. Melanie Miller knows Tobias Dengele at Willow Tree Apps. The CAT app was done by the City's IT department. Dede Smith will talk to them.

Historic Landscapes lecture: Mary Joy noted that Genevieve Keller has agreed to do a lecture in the fall as part of the VDOT-funded mitigation for McIntire Park/ Meadowcreek Parkway Interchange.

Other: Melanie Miller asked about Old Jail maintenance. She also asked if anyone knew about a proposed Courthouse addition.

African-American Trail: Dede Smith said there will be a meeting on May 20 at 4 pm to discuss the top ten African-American sites. The Committee decided to brainstorm, and came up with the following list:

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| Tonsler House | C B Holt house |
| Daughters of Zion cemetery | Paramount Theater Third Street entrance |
| Jefferson School | John West marker |
| Washington Park | Vinegar Hill |
| Mt Zion Baptist Church | Starr Hill |
| Trailways bus station | Kitty Foster burial ground near South Lawn |
| Inges Grocery | Wine Field- off McIntire Rd – associated with |
| Lane and Venable Schools | Jefferson School |
| Carver Inn | |
| Former University Theater – formal desegregation effort | |
| First Baptist Church (Delevan) | |

GOALS FOR NEXT MEETING

All of the above items can be revisited.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:55 am