

MINUTES

CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

*Monday May 11, 2015 * 11:00 am – Noon
NDS Conference Room * 610 East Market Street*

Members Present

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

Additional People

Shelley Sass
Charlene Green
Jane Smith

Staff

Mary Joy Scala

Members Absent

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

CALL TO ORDER

Melanie Miller called the meeting to order at 11:00.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Genevieve Keller made the motion, Edwina St. Rose seconded, and the March 9 minutes passed, with Dede Smith abstaining. There was no meeting in April.

PUBLIC COMMEMORATION

Daughters of Zion:

- Liz Sargent introduced Shelley Sass, of Sass Conservation Inc., Materials Conservator with architecture training, with an emphasis on stone and masonry.
- Edwina St. Rose introduced Jane Smith who has photographed many of the gravestones and is willing to help with the project.
- Daughters of Zion Cemetery –Dede Smith asked Shelly Sass to prepare a “quick and dirty” outline for a conservation plan, working with an archeologist to determine perimeter of cemetery (using GPR). It would include research planning and then identification of priorities, both archaeological and preservation. After getting the list from Shelley by email, then everyone could meet on site.
- Mary Hill Caperton said money is always the issue, and we should partner with Preservation Piedmont.

Court Square Markers:

- No progress has been made.

Historic Street Signs:

- No progress has been made.

Cemetery Signs:

- Dede moved to spend \$5,000 or less on the three cemeteries’ signs. Mary Hill Caperton seconded, which carried unanimously.
- When marker is ready, use the installation to bring attention to the cemetery.

African-American Trail:

- They have designer for brochure.

EDUCATION and PUBLIC MEETINGS

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Historic American Landscape Surveys (HALS)

- Liz Sargent is to write a HALS for the Daughters of Zion Cemetery

GOALS FOR NEXT MEETING

- All of the above items can be revisited.

OTHER BUSINESS - MEMBERSHIP

Mary Hill Caperton is going to step down. She suggested asking Jean Hiatt to join. Others also suggested Kay Slaughter and Jane Smith. It was agreed that Evelyn Mason's name should be removed, and that someone from ACHS should be asked to attend if Steven Meeks cannot.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 pm