

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2023

The Historic Resources Commission (HRC) met on Monday, April 24th, 2023, at 1:30 P.M. in the Planning Conference Room at 100 N. King Street, Hendersonville, N.C. and via Microsoft Teams.

ATTENDEES

Kathie Doole, Chair
Reid Barwick, Vice Chair
Bette Carter
Knox Crowell
Victoria Flanagan
Mandy Gibson
Sean Smith
Christy Thompson (Virtual)
Janna Bianculli (Staff)
Liz Hanson (Staff)

ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Kathie Doole called the meeting to order at 1:32 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment for this meeting.

REVIEW MARCH MEETING MINUTES

The March 2023 meeting minutes were provided to the commission prior to the meeting for their review. Commission Vice-Chair Reid Barwick motioned to approve the meeting agenda. Commission member Mandy Gibson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commission member Bette Carter pointed out a typo in the March 2023 meeting minutes, which staff noted will be corrected. Commissioner member Victoria Flanagan motioned to approve the March 2023 meeting minutes with the mentioned changes. Commission member Mandy Gibson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Review of “100-Year Structures” List

The commission was previously provided a list of structures within the County that were built in 1923, or 100-years old. The commission reviewed these structures at their convenience. These

properties were noted and planned to be discuss in more detail at the next meeting(s). Staff Coordinator, Liz Hanson, provided a more consolidated list of 100-year structures, including those identified by the commission prior to the meeting. At this month's meeting, the Commission reviewed several of the properties identified previously in more depth. The properties of interest were those that fit the criteria for Local Historic Landmark Designation and that Staff thought had potential for designation. The Commission and Staff discussed the possibility of expanding their search of potentially historic properties to include structures beyond residential homes, such as commercial properties. The Commission and Staff also discussed other ways they could reach out to property owners and reach the community as a whole. Commission Chair, Kathie Doole, shared some of the ideas she had for the HRC. Commission member Knox Crowell suggested more of an internet-presence to increase awareness of the Commission. The Commission also discussed the possibility of including agriculture and/or "historic farms" in their scope for Local Historic Landmarks. Mandy Gibson shared with the Commission that Blue Ridge Community College will be starting their Historic Preservation Week, next week.

National Park Service Champion Tree Program

Commission member Victoria Flanagan shared information and updates regarding the Champion Tree Program. Since the Park Service updated their list of eligibility criteria for Champion Tree designation, there are now only two "Champion Trees" within Henderson County. Victoria Flanagan is currently working with Epperson Tree to determine if a tree located near US-64 would qualify as a Champion Tree. Janna Bianculli, Senior Planner, shared her ideas about a County Tree Program, specifically mentioning a tree near the Historic County Courthouse.

HRC Brochure Printing

Staff Coordinator, Liz Hanson, shared with the Commission that Staff is planning on having 250 copies of the Historic Resources Commission brochure professionally printed and will be ready for the next meeting. Staff thanked Knox Crowell for his assistance with editing the brochure.

UPDATES

Liz Hanson shared their experience from the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions CAMP that was held last Friday in Asheville's Historic Masonic Temple. Vice Chair Reid Barwick also attending the event. Liz stated that she would make a list of resources from the NAPC CAMP and share it with the Commission.

Liz Hanson shared that the recent Local Historic Landmark Designation applicant for the Brightwaters Estate (now called Samuel J. Childs House) is not ready for the Commission to review, and updates will be provided once the applicant(s) reach back out.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 22nd, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM.

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