

HISTORIC RESOURCE TASK FORCE
June 13, 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. Other Business

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**Historic Resources Task Force
Minutes
May 9, 2001
Basement Conference Room
3:30 p.m.**

Present:

Mark Beliles
Mary Hill Caperton
Winston Churchill Gooding
Benjamin Ford

Others Present:

Satyendra Singh Huja

Mr. Huja shared the new wording for the state historic marker, concerning the surrender of Charlottesville near the University of Virginia. Mr. Huja stated that the University would like to see the marker placed at the police station on Ivy Road. He also commented that the University also controls Booker House on University Avenue. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Ms. Caperton and second by Mr. Ford to accept the new language and location for the state marker titled "Union Occupation of Charlottesville"

The minutes of April 11, 2001 were accepted as corrected.

There was discussion of a possible sign for the "Wine Makers House" based upon a request from Mr. Jeff Werner.

Mr. Huja reported that we are getting estimates of under grounding of utilities at Court Square. The initial indication is that the estimates from Dominion Virginia Power and Sprint will be higher than what we had expected. Ms. Caperton indicated that she would prepare a list of possible foundations that may be able to donate some funds for the court square improvements. Ms. Caperton also mentioned that Ann Miller of VDOT might also have some information. Mr. Huja commented that he would follow up on this matter.

There was a discussion of the tour book and its length. Mr. Beliles read e-mail from Mr. Garrett Smith, who was making a case for a longer version of the booklet. It was indicated that from the very start the parameters were that, the booklet would be small, similar to the Culpeper tour booklet. Mr. Huja stated that the book committee is asking for more money for the design layout of the booklet, which is in excess of what was originally agreed upon. Mr. Beliles stated that the committee has done good research, yet they have expanded beyond the original intent. The focus of the booklet should be on the Downtown and the University. This issue will be further discussed at the next meeting.

There was discussion of local markers, Mr. Beliles suggested that we should re-think the whole concept of local markers. The markers can be smaller with less wording and can be placed on the buildings, this way we can do a lot more of them. There was also a suggestion that the property owner may contribute towards the markers. Mr. Ford stated that there needs to be adequate information on the markers. He also felt that there could be some flexibility. Mr. Beliles distributed a list of potential locations for local historic markers. He also distributed a list of existing state highway markers in Charlottesville and Albemarle County.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting will be June 13, 2001.

Letter from Garrett Smith, Chairman, ACHS Publications Committee

"We think the Task Force should reconsider its comments. We doubt the size of the booklet will scare tourists from buying it any more than it will impress them with C'ville's historical wealth and induce them to come back. To the extent that the book is large, it is not daunting due to its format which is not dense. It will be filled with pictures and maps and not large blocks of text. I'm not aware of that format deterring the purchasers of Michelin Guides, which I've always thought were more popular than more textual guides such as Baedekers. If the guide is kept inexpensive, that won't be a burden either."

"Whether Lexis prints it for free or not has not been a concern of ours until now, although we were concerned when they suggested they'd do it free on some extra paper they had left over. We were hoping not to have our page size and format dictated by our printer, because we understood that obtaining funding would be taken care of by the Task Force. The ACHS Publications Committee volunteered to write the booklet, and we did so without instructions or parameters within which to work. Task Force members like Coy Barefoot and Mark Beliles have been members of our committee, and I believe were well aware of what we were doing all along. We have received no negative feedback about the size until now, although the basic draft has been ready for months.

For the Task Force to suggest we cut it down to save on publishing costs, is to suggest we should discard hours upon hours of work undertaken for the benefit of the City at the request of the Task Force simply because the Task Force has not done the fundraising we were led to believe it would undertake." "We're happy to think about Web versions. We already have. The Web is flexible and it will be to our advantage to use it."

Other Potential Locations for State or Local Markers:

(Original Buildings in Bold)

1. **Georgia O'Keeffe Residence**
2. **Mt. Zion Baptist Church**
3. **The University Corner**
4. **Jackson Price Burley High School**
5. Site of Carver Inn
6. Court Square Businesses and homes
 - **Town Hall / Levy Opera House**
 - **Swan Tavern**
 - **Eagle Tavern / Farish Hotel**
 - **Number Nothing / Leitch Storehouse**
 - Site of first Post Office, Drug Store, Masonic Lodge
 - Site of Storehouse, Library, Watch and Liquor Shops
7. McKee Block businesses and homes
 - **Butler-Norris house**
 - Site of First Baptist Church
 - Site of McKee block
8. **Old Jail**
9. **Vinegar Hill and Jefferson School**
10. **Leterman Building**
11. **Jefferson Theatre**
12. **Paramount Theatre**
13. **Home of John R. Jones / Social Hall**
14. **Home of John A. G. Davis / The Farm**
15. **Temple Beth Israel**
16. **First Episcopal Church**
17. **Magruder Sanitarium**
18. **McGuffey School**
19. **First Christian Church**
20. **First Methodist Church**
21. **Sheridan's Headquarters**
22. **Home of T. W. Gilmer**
23. **Holy Comforter Catholic Church**
24. **Madison Hall**
25. **University Chapel**
26. **George Rogers Clark**
27. **Booker T. Washington Park**
28. **Clark Elementary School**
29. **Venable Elementary School**
30. **Lane High School**
31. **Fry Spring**
32. **1740 House / D.S. Tavern**

State Highway Markers in Charlottesville

City of Charlottesville

Charlottesville General Hospital

First Baptist Church, West Main Street

Jack Jouett's Ride

James Monroe's First Farm, Site of the University of Virginia

Monticello

President Monroe's Local Homes

Stone Tavern and Central Hotel

Tarleton's Oak

Technical Sergeant Frank D. Peregrory

Three Notch'd Road

University of Virginia

Gen. Alexander Archer Vandegrift

State Highway Markers in Albemarle

Albemarle County

Ash Lawn

General Sumter's Boyhood

Rio Mills

Barclay House and Scottsville Museum

Historic Scottsville

Hatton Ferry

Maury School

Birthplace of Meriwether Lewis

Jackson's Valley Campaign

Revolutionary Soldiers Graves

Crozet

Skirmish at Rio Hill

Shadwell – Thomas Jefferson Birthplace

Clark's Birthplace

Monticello

Colle

Shadwell Estate

Edgehill

Castle Hill

Mechunk Creek

(Old Forge Church)

HISTORIC RESOURCES TASK FORCE

CHARGE

- The development of heritage walking tours by private entrepreneurs and/or other organizations.
- Cultural events such as the Jefferson Thanksgiving, Colonial Christmas.
- Educational programs for adults and/or children, through the schools and other organizations, including community archaeology to learn the history of Native American, colonial and civil war periods in Charlottesville.
- Historical plaques, sculptures or other public exhibits in public places and private businesses.
- Development of signs to identify historic buildings and sites related to individuals who contributed to local, regional or national history.
- Promotion or creation of museums or permanent exhibits of cultural history.

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