

MINUTES

CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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

Members Present

Winston Churchill Gooding
Edwina St. Rose, Co-Chair
Melanie Miller, Co-Chair
Ellen Wagner
Dede Smith
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 11:15 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dede Smith moved to approve the July 14 minutes; Melanie Miller seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously, except Genevieve Keller abstained because she did not attend the July meeting.

PUBLIC COMMEMORATION

PAPA/Preservation Piedmont fall event

- Ellen said a date around November 1 was chosen by preservation Piedmont.
 - o Genevieve Keller will speak about “Why Landscapes Matter”
 - o The new Tonsler marker will also be celebrated.

Court Square Markers:

- Camie Mess made most of the suggested changes made by committee members.
 - o Next step: put together a bid and send out to the sign companies in Charlottesville.

The Corner Marker:

- Mary Joy Scala met with the owner of the Starbucks Coffee Shop, Terry Vassalos, who will meet with the tenant and get back.

Bus Posters:

- On hold until Court Square markers are finished.

Street Signs:

- Melanie Miller said we originally allotted \$5,400 total for street signs. They will cost more than originally planned, due to the larger number of signs (more signs per pole; more intersections).
 - o A quote from an internet sign company for the same extruded metal signs came in at \$48 per small sign; \$56 per large sign. No shipping cost.
 - o The new total would be \$11,120 plus \$900 for the pedestrian signs.
 - o Melanie Miller suggested omitting the Downtown district for now, since there are old brown signs there already.
- Mary Hill Caperton moved to approve whatever it takes (maximum \$6,000) to produce the signs. The motion was withdrawn.

- Genevieve Keller moved to approve funding to produce all the signs, including new Downtown district signs, if Jim Tolbert can find the funding for the rest. Dede Smith Seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 - o Melanie Miller will follow up with Steve Lawson, Doris Collier, and Jim Tolbert.

Cemeteries:

- Suggested that Mary Joy have follow up contact with Lynn Rainville for comments.

African-American Trail

- Edwina St. Rose said Camie Mess attended the July 16 meeting.

Education:

- There are opportunities for West Main Street history to be incorporated into the streetscape design now being prepared; possibly at the Drewary Brown bridge, at Vinegar Hill, and at the plaza near Lewis and Clarke and Sacajawea statue.

GOALS FOR NEXT MEETING

- All of the above items can be revisited.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 pm

Genevieve Keller added the suggestion of having someone survey where all the granite curbs are located.