
**TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY JOINT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (JHPC)
MINUTES**

February 12, 2019, 4:00 PM

I. Call to Order, Chair Marcy Thompson:

Marcy Thompson called the meeting to order. Members attending were Chair Marcy Thompson, Aaron Bland, Morris Davis, John Huggins, Jeff Mills, and Rebecca Suddeth, along with staff member Joy Fields. Commission members Melanie Spreen (excused), Ellen Pratt Harris (excused) and Betty Runion, were absent.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

John Huggins moved to approve the February 12, 2019, agenda as presented. Jeff Mills seconded the motion, which carried. Morris Davis moved to approve the previous meeting minutes (January 8, 2019) as presented. John Huggins seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

III. Old Business:

A. Greystone Inn Local Landmark Application Discussion:

- Staff sent the local landmark application and cover letter documenting the proposed boundary, to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for their review and comments. The proposed landmark boundary submitted to SHPO to consider was the one that JHPC had discussed with the property owners that included the rock walls and the knoll between the driveway and the lake.
- JHPC will receive and be able to consider the comments from SHPO at the March meeting.

B. CLG Grant – Discussion:

- The CLG Subcommittee met at the end of January and reviewed four proposals by contractors to perform the oral history interviews and survey of African American heritage-related resources.
- The CLG Subcommittee members selected a contractor who is a folklorist with a background in anthropology, and historic architectural surveys. They appreciated her experience with oral history interviews and her ability to serve the African American Community of Transylvania County without the distraction of other employment or projects.
- At the next meeting, the CLG Subcommittee will review the draft bibliography, timeline, and scope of work, and plan a couple of events to kick-off the survey of African American heritage-related resources in Transylvania County. JHPC members will be invited and are encouraged to attend the kick-off meetings to remain engaged with this project.

C. Non-profit Funding – Discussion:

- Previously, JHPC discussed the benefit of having the non-profits hear what was expected in the application by the county and JHPC. The County will be holding an information session on March 21st at 4:00 pm in the County Administration Building.

- With the County providing that information session, JHPC agreed that there was not a need to duplicate efforts.
- JHPC discussed the benefit of sending out information to history-related non-profits to ensure that they were aware of the non-profit funding availability from the County. Previous applicants receive an email from the County but emailing those who have not previously applied, may encourage more participation from other history related groups.
- JHPC discussed the history-related sharing session that was held in October 2017, and is considering hosting another history-related meeting in May 2019, to celebrate Preservation Month.

IV. New Business

A. JHPC Membership

- Rebecca Suddeth, John Huggins and Marcy Thompson all have JHPC terms that are ending in May 2019. Rebecca Suddeth and John Huggins are eligible to serve another term and can let Joy Fields or Marcy Thompson know of their availability outside of the meeting.
- Current members are encouraged to consider referring friends and neighbors who may be interested in serving as a JHPC member, to Joy Fields for more information.
- The upcoming vacancies would need to be filled by people who live in Brevard, Pisgah Forest and Rosman. Therefore, applications will have to be from individuals from those geographical areas of the County to meet the requirements of the vacancy.
- If no applications are received from those geographic areas, then current JHPC members who reside in those areas who are “members at large” may be asked to consider extending their terms by a year to fill a geographic specific seat to allow a member at large seat to be filled by an applicant from anywhere in the County.
- Aaron Bland does not have a term that is expiring, but he may be moving to Henderson County. Therefore, there may be two vacant seats within the City of Brevard.
- JHPC membership applications are due in April.

- B. Other – Preservation NC Conference was scheduled to occur last September in Wilmington, NC. Due to the hurricane restoration work, the conference was rescheduled for March 21, 2019. Rebecca Suddeth had planned to attend the conference to meet the CLG training requirements but is unable to attend the conference in March. JHPC was asked if anyone else would be able to use the Preservation NC Conference registration. Jeff Mills said he may be interested and able to attend on behalf of JHPC.

V. Public and Commission Member Comments

None

- VI. **Adjourn:** Morris Davis moved to adjourn. Rebecca Suddeth seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned around 5:00pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 12, 2019.

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Marcy Thompson 4/9/19
Marcy Thompson, Chair Date

Ray Fields 4-9-19
Staff Date