

St. Mary's County, Maryland
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
April 24, 2014

Present: Carol Moody, Chair
Mary Farrar, Member
Linda Reno, Member
Michael Smolek, Member
Patricia Samford, Member
Grace Mary Brady, Staff
George Donely, Absent
Scott Lawrence, Absent
Mike, 15 minutes late

Call to Order: The regularly scheduled meeting of the HPC was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Recognition of Guests: William “Bill” Hunt, Deputy Director of Land Use and Growth Management, Frankie Tippett, Yvonne Chaillet, Susie McCauley, Jackie Alvey, Lindsay Halterman, Ashley Renshaw, Jeanine Harrington, Dave Chapman and Hannah Pinkerton.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Dr. Samford, second by Ms. Farrar to approve the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Smolek, second by Ms. Reno to approve the March 27, 2014 minutes, which passed unanimously.

Staff Report:

- 119 customer service requests.
- Raiders and Invaders Steering Committee Meeting on April 17, 2014. Working with Carol Picon, Maria Fleming, Carol Moody, Nancy Easterling, Dan Norris, Jeanne Pirtle, Susan Wolfe, Teri Dimsey, Laschelle McKay, Tracy Harris, Randy Richie, Carolyn Laray and Laschelle McKay to host a War of 1812 Celebration Weekend in Leonardtown June 7 – 8, 2014. Dr. Ralph Eshelman, Linda Reno and Steve Vogel are confirmed speakers.
- Working with Sheriff Cameron, Carol Moody, Linda Reno, Jeff McLane and Mary Ann Thompson on the Sheriff’s History Book – work bi-weekly.
- MD Big Tree Program – scheduled numerous trees to be measured the weekend of March 28, 29 and 30. 15 trees in 1 day which resulted in 2 Bicentennial Trees, 2 Maryland State Co-Champions and 10 county champion trees.
- Worked on historic preservation awards in preparation of HPC meeting on May 27th. Date with County Commissioners **is May 27th between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.**
- Also worked with Amy Carter on 1662 St. Francis Xavier Parish 1662 Chapel Project, which will be aired on Channel 95. Have Chris Haley video to do – couple of months.
- Working with Michael McCauley on book entitled “**They Shall Dwell in the Land and Own It**” a story about Barracks housing for the African American parishioners for the St. Joseph’s Parish Housing Project – documented from 1946 to present.
- Friday Conference Calls for upcoming Planner’s Retreat on June 13, 2014. Met with Sarah Taylor Rogers and Patricia Haddon on site to work out schematics.
- Working on two CLG grants; prepared Green Sheets – 1 hearing on April 29th and the other on May 6th. Attended public budget hearing with HPC in preparation of Grant Application Process.
- April 30, Dr. Ralph Eshelman, gave a presentation on Steamboats and Wharves in St. Mary’s County, which was very well attended and recorded to re-broadcast on Channel 95.
- Several days working with Bill Hunt, Carol Moody, Dr. Patricia Samford, Dr. Julia King on CLG Archaeology Sensitivity Model Grant Application. Meeting with Board of County Commissioners scheduled for May 6th.
- April 4, 2014, Carol Moody, Linda Reno and I received an award from the St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s Office for research done on the 375 Sheriff Commissions Booklet. We were honored at their Annual Luncheon.

- On April 15th, two awards were given to me at the County Commissioner's meeting. I was nominated for a People's Choice Awards and the County Commissioners gave me a separate award for work done on the Preservation Tour in 2013, War of 1812 and Maryland Big Tree Program.

Old Business:

1) Dr. Ralph Eshelman, April 30, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Moody reported that 52 people ventured out in very bad weather to hear Dr. Eshelman's presentation. It was a very successful lecture and will air on Channel 95 in the future.

New Business:

1) Anne E. Bruder, Maryland State Highway Admin., Sr. Architectural Historian, presentation about SHA's historic bridge program at 3:30 p.m.

Staff from Land Use and Growth Management along with Historic Preservation Commission members and guests enjoyed the presentation given by Ms. Bruder featuring the Historic Bridges of Maryland.

2) CLG Educational Grant – Vote

Motion by Mr. Smolek, second by Ms. Reno to approve an Application submittal to the Maryland Historical Trust for education and training funds, which passed unanimously.

3) CLG Developing and Testing a Sensativity model for Archaeological Resources – Vote

Motion by Mr. Smolek, second by Ms. Reno to approve an Application submittal to the Maryland Historical Trust to develop and test a sensitivity model for Archaeological Resources, which passed unanimously.

4) Approval of Annual Report – Vote

Motion by Dr. Samford, second by Mr. Smolek to approve the Annual Report as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

Items from the Floor: None

Announcements: None

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Smolek, seconded by Ms. Reno to adjourn. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Submitted By:

Signed by:

Grace Mary Brady

Carol Moody, Chair

Date: Approved on May 22, 2014