

**VOLUSIA COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD**



March 25, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Yates called the meeting of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board to order at 3:05 p.m., March 25, 2014 at the Pioneer Settlement for the Creative Arts, 1776 Lightfoot Lane, Barberville.

ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS:

Upon roll call the following members answered present to wit:

Oscar Brock
Robert Clinton
Nancy Epps
Brian Polk
John Wagner
Jim Yates
James Zacharias

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: Bill Chapin, Jon Benn

STAFF PRESENT:

Julie Adams Scofield, Historic Preservation Officer
Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary
Ian Williams, Asst. County Attorney/Staff Counsel

GUEST(S) PRESENT:

Kathy Yates, Joe Underhill, Jim Rogers, Marilyn Breeze, Steven Kikly, Gudren Benson, Debra West, Zoey Zacharias

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: - January 28, 2014 Regular Meeting

Member Epps made a **MOTION** *“To approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013 regular meeting as presented”* Member Zacharias seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: - None

OLD BUSINESS:

Public Program at Shoestring Theatre

Ms. Scofield advised that she is still attempting to get a program date set between the theatre's schedule and the program participants. In all likelihood, it will now be scheduled for the fall. She will keep the board apprised of the situation.

Local Designation of Cassadaga NR Historic District

Ms. Scofield advised that she is still working with the residents of Cassadaga. No date for a hearing has yet been set. Public meetings with members of the community will be scheduled as soon as possible and recommended boundaries determined.

Local Designation of Underhill House

The request for Local Designation of the Underhill House should be heard at the May meeting. Ms. Scofield will issue a staff report with her recommendation prior to that meeting

Revision to Ordinance No. 2007-21, Chapter 62

Ms. Scofield advised that a request to to change the governing ordinance redefining the legal criteria for historic designation as a building or structure older than fifty years as opposed to specifying a specific "built prior to" date has been forwarded to County legal staff for them to draft necessary revisions to the appropriate sections of Chapter 62 of the existing ordinance. Their recommendation will then be placed on the County Council agenda for consideration. If approved, the ordinance will be revised accordingly.

Status of Spaceport Florida

Ms. Epps reported on the meeting held at the News-Journal Center. Staff discussed continuing their efforts to reach out to their County Council members to encourage them to oppose the plan the currently being proposed by Spaceport Florida.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Scofield announced that a presentation about the ongoing historic cemetery survey will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 12 at DeBary Hall. The two interns that worked on the project will provide a report of their efforts.

MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS:

Mr. Fincher announced that the next meeting would be May 27 and will probably be held in Council Chambers due to one or more Public Hearings likely to be required.

Member Wagner discussed the abandoned Mt. Ararat cemetery status and also reported on restoration efforts going on in the Surfside Village area.

Member Polk reported on the recently held Social Studies fair that he helped judge.

Member Zacharias reported that demolition on the west wing of the Museum of Arts and Sciences would begin right away and work to rebuild the flooded area would begin soon thereafter. He also provided an update on the other ongoing new construction projects.

Ms. Scofield announced the upcoming Sanford Preservation Trust meeting on April 15th and the FPAN CRPT Conference in Gainesville on June 3rd – 4th.

PRESS & CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Debra West thanked the board for visiting the Settlement and invited members to attend upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Yates adjourned the established business portion of the meeting at 4:12 p.m. The board then went as a group to tour the Underhill House.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary

Date _____ Chair _____ Secretary _____