The Public Hearing of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board was called to order by Tom Roberts, at 2:00 p.m., in the Frank T. Bruno, Jr. County Council Chambers of the Thomas C. Kelly Administration Center, 123 West Indiana Avenue, Room 204, DeLand, Florida. On roll call, the following members answered present, to wit:

COMMISSION PRESENT:
TOM ROBERTS, CHAIR - Physically Present
JAMES “ZACH” ZACHARIAS, VICE CHAIR – Physically Present
RONALD HOWELL, SECRETARY – Physically Present
BONDA GARRISON – Virtually Present
GREGORY HOLBROOK – Virtually Present
DR. ANDREI LUDU - Physically Present
AERIEL MCCANN – Absent
SHAINA MOORE – Absent
BRIAN POLK - Absent

STAFF PRESENT:
SUSAN JACKSON, AICP, Senior Planning Manager – Physically Present
TREVOR BEDFORD, Planner II, Historic Preservation Officer – Physically Present
SEBRINA SLACK, Assistant County Attorney - Physically Present
YOLANDA SOMERS, Staff Assistant II – Physically Present

WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

Chair Tom Roberts welcomed everyone in the chambers and those attending virtually.

The Board recognized the virtual participation of Member Bonda Garrison and Member Gregory Holbrook due to special circumstances.

Member James “Zack” Zacharias MOVED to allow virtual participation. Member Brian Polk SECONDED the motion. Motion CARRIED unanimously (5:0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Yolanda Somers, Staff Assistant II, provided corrections to the spelling of Sebrina Slack on page 1 line 24 and to the spelling of Member Howell’s name on page 2 line 14.

Member Bond Garrison MOVED to APPROVE the July 28, 2020 minutes. Member James “Zack” Zacharias SECONDED the motion. Motion CARRIED unanimously (5:0).
BOARD/STAFF ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Chapter 62 – Historic Preservation Ordinance

Trevor Bedford, Planner II, explained the ordinance amendment and the review process.

Member Brian Polk MOVED to APPROVE the motion to change the date of January 1, 1946 in Chapter 62 to fifty years old or older. Member Gregory Holbrook SECONDED the motion. Motion CARRIED unanimously (5:0).

Member Gregory Holbrook asked if the date of January 1, 1946 was anywhere else in the ordinance or is this the last place it appears.

Mr. Bedford replied that it appears in a few other areas all referring to demolitions, and it is staff’s intent to change all references based on this motion. He mentioned that if the board had any other issue with the ordinance and could discuss it now.

The board did not have any other issues with this ordinance.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Bedford mentioned that the next scheduled meeting is a county council meeting day and staff would like to reschedule the meeting to Historic Preservation Board meeting to December 8, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Member Gregory Holbrook moved to change next meeting to December 8, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Member Ronald Howell SECONDED the motion. Motion carried unanimously (5:0).

BOARD COMMENTS

Member Bonda Garrison inquired about the meeting schedule for 2021.

Mr. Bedford replied that staff will bring it forward at the January 26, 2021 meeting.

Member Gregory Holbrook mentioned that the City of New Smyrna Beach Historic Preservation code has been challenged.

Member Bonda Garrison asked what the challenge was.

Member Gregory Holbrook said that the challenge was to the Historic Preservation authority due to how the city historic preservation element was adopted.
Member Bonda Garrison mentioned the city commission restoration exterior of the MacDonald House work to begin on January 25, 2021. Tour of homes is being held virtually and there are six houses, one of which is Plantation #9, the cost is $15 between December 25 and December 31. The tour can be viewed more than once for one fee. More information at www.ormondhistory.org.

Member Ronald Howell mentioned he was working with the Holy Hill Historically Society on the Calle Grande Arches that is listed as an endangered place on our list. An application for National list may be possible.

Member Brian Polk asked if staff could set up virtual tours of some historic facilities during the upcoming year.

Member Tom Roberts reminded everyone that it is time to re-apply to serve on the board.

Mr. Bedford mentioned that he will be sending on information on the December 16, 2020 webinar that the state is hosting.

PRESS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further comments from the public, staff, or members, Chair Tom Roberts thanked everyone and adjourned the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

APPROVED

James Zacharias, Vice Chair

Ronald Howell, Secretary

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