VOLUSIA COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING

March 22, 2022

The Public Hearing of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board was called to order by James “Zach” Zacharias, 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:

JAMES “ZACH” ZACHARIAS – Present
BONDA GARRISON – Present
GREGORY HOLBROOK – Present
BRIAN POLK – Absent
LARRY FRENCH – Present
MARGARET BERESFORD – Present
TOM ROBERTS – Absent
BRIAN WILSON – Absent (late)
PENELOPE YOUNG-CARRESQUILLO – Absent

STAFF PRESENT:
SUSAN JACKSON, Senior Planning Manager
MICHAEL HANSON, Planner II, Historic Preservation Officer – Present
CHIRS RYAN, Assistant County Attorney – Present
ALISHA BRANTLEY, Staff Assistant II – Present

WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

Chair Zacharias welcomed everyone in the chambers and any guests that were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 30, 2021, Regular Meeting

Member French MOVED to APPROVE the November 30, 2021 minutes. Member Holbrook SECONDED the motion. Motion CARRIED unanimously (5:0).
BOARD/STAFF ITEMS
NEW BUSINESS

Florida Sunshine Law presentation
Chris Ryan, Assistant County Attorney made the presentation.

Member Holbrook inquired if they can ask county staff to share information with other members of the board. He also asked if something becomes public record if it is introduced at the hearing.

Mr. Ryan responded in the affirmative.

Member French stated he had previously discussed items with Dan Friend (who is giving a presentation today) and wanted to be sure he follows the sunshine law guidelines.

Mr. Ryan advised that he should try to avoid conversations like that but it is not a violation of the sunshine law.

DeLand Historic Trust presentation
Daniel Friend presented a PowerPoint and video on a World War II tugboat manufactured in DeLand.

He explained that the tugboat has been in Stockholm Sweden for 22 years and was probably in Normandy but the records were thrown out.

Member Zacharias asked why it could not go across Lake George. Was it too shallow?

Mr. Friend replied in the affirmative.

Member French inquired if it could get through the Volusia Bar?

Member Garrison asked how it got to Stockholm.

Mr. Friend advised it was sold after the war.

Member Zacharias inquired who the present owner is.

Mr. Friend stated that the Deland Historic Trust is the current owner.

Member Zacharis asked if they used the boat as a residence.

Mr. Friend replied no.

Member Zacharias inquired if there are people locally qualified to do restorations.

Mr. Friend replied in the affirmative.
Member Zacharias asked if funds would have to be raised to do restorations.

Mr. Friend replied that he plans to use a static display.

Member Holbrook inquired if a site has been secured.

Mr. Friend stated possibly Ed Stone Park.

Member Zacharias inquired as to where the boat building yard is located and on what part of the lake.

Mr. Friend stated the East side of the lake.

Member Zacharias asked what kind of crane would be needed.

Mr. Friend stated the tugboat weighs 140 tons and that two cranes would possibly be needed at a cost of $50,000.00.

Member Holbrook inquired if it will be a lot lighter when the engine is taken out.

Member French asked if the historic value of the tugboat would be of more interest if alterations were not made.

Member Zacharias inquired where it is located; is it on a river walk?

Mr. Friend stated on a long canal walk.

Member Garrison suggested it might be useful to go public in Stockholm.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

None.

**PRESS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.
ADJOURNMENT

Having no further comments from the public, staff, or members, Chair Zacharias thanked everyone and adjourned the meeting at 3:08 pm. He announced the next meeting will be held on May 24, at 2:00 pm.

APPROVED

James "Zach" Zacharias, Chair 07/26/2022
Date

Larry French, Secretary 07/26/2022
Date