

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

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July 24, 2018

LOCATION:

Seabreeze United Church of Christ 501 N. Wild Olive Avenue Daytona Beach

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Polk, Chair, called the meeting of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board to order at 3:35p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call the following members answered present:

Oscar Brock

Bonda Garrison

Ronald Howell

Jared Mitchell, Secretary

Brian Polk, Chair

Kimberly Reading

Tom Roberts, Vice Chair

STAFF PRESENT:

Robert Redd, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary

Julie Adams Scofield, Historic Preservation Officer

Dawn Thomas, Activity Project Manager

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Nancy Epps, Gina Steger

GUEST(S) PRESENT:

Joe Zarbo, Daniel Marsh, Brittany Louis (County of Volusia), Zachary Ewing (PRC Intern), Mark Shuttleworth, John Wagner, Suzanne Heddy (Public), Philip Rand (Tomoka Basin State Parks)

WELCOME: Mr. Polk welcomed Board members and visitors and thanked Church members for providing the meeting location. Roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **MOTION** by Mr. Brock, 2nd by Ms. Garrison ***"To approve the minutes of the May 22, 2018 regular meeting as presented."*** **Motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

State Historic Marker—Ms. Scofield provided an update on the progress of the marker applications for the Historic Courthouse located in DeLand. The state has 23 applications to review and will be holding two phone sessions to handle this amount. As of the meeting date staff was not sure when their conference call would be.

National Register Nominations –

- A) Elliot Plantation-NPS draft currently 384 pages
- B) Eldora House—being worked on by Clay Henderson. Mr. Henderson has invited the HPB to hold a meeting there in the future.
- C) Green Mound (Ponce Inlet)—being considered by State. Ms. Scofield has recently drafted a letter for the Volusia County Council in support of this nomination.

STAFF ITEMS:

Ms. Scofield asked to deviate slightly on the agenda order due to guests.

Wright Building--Mark Shuttleworth spoke on behalf of the owners of the Wright Building, an important building in DeLand (Yemassee neighborhood) African American history. It was requested that the HPB add the Wright Building to the Endangered Historic Properties in Volusia County list and also to write a letter in support of the building being locally designated as a landmark. Rot and termite damage are the primary concerns. A temporary roof has been put in place. The current owners, Greater Union Baptist Church, will be active partners on this restoration/renovation project, anticipated to cost \$500,000-\$700,000. ECHO grant funding will potentially help offset this cost.

Motion to add property to Endangered Properties List: Motion: Ms. Reading, 2nd Mr. Roberts, **motion approved unanimously**

Motion to write a letter of support to the City of DeLand for local designation” Motion: Mr. Roberts, 2nd Ms. Reading, **motion approved unanimously**

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation by Philip Rand—Mr. Rand is Park Manager for the Tomoka Basin State Parks. He gave a PowerPoint presentation on these parks including a look at history, current status, and archaeological work that is being done.

Zach Ewing—Zach is a summer PRC intern. His main project has been reviewing 1990 & 1992 surveys of structures in unincorporated Volusia County to see if they are still in existence. He is doing this through online resources and site visits. Of 1,156 surveyed properties he has reviewed 911 with 13% being demolished. Zach has also been helping West Volusia Historical Society with their new exhibits in the Burgess Building.

MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS:

- Ms. Scofield introduced guests in attendance including Joe Zarbo and Daniel Marsh, employees in the county Parks, Recreation, and Culture department. They are attending four different Board meetings as part of a leadership training course they are participating in and also as an opportunity to learn what their coworkers are involved in. Also introduced were John Wagner and Suzanne Heddy.
- Mr. Howell—working on Volusia County cemetery location and ownership
- Ms. Reading—continuing work on recognition for municipalities allowing women the vote in 1918
- Mr. Brock—while he is disengaging from many activities he will continue on this board and work to focus his energies

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mr. Wagner discussed a fundraiser being held at Lillian Place in September. He also discussed the recent purchase and intended reuse of the Armstrong House and his belief that it does not need to be on the Endangered Properties List. This property had been removed from the list at a prior meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mr. Polk asked for a call to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

- **MOTION** by Mr. Roberts, 2nd by Mr. Mitchell ***“To adjourn the meeting.”*** **Motion passed unanimously.**

After the adjournment, Board members gathered for an optional tour of the Church property. Photos were taken of Board members holding “This Place Matters” signage in front of the stained glass windows.

Respectfully submitted by Robert Redd, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary, on September 25, 2018.

Date _____ Chair _____ Secretary _____