

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



July 21, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Epps called the meeting of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board to order at 3:02 p.m., July 21, 2015 in the Enterprise Heritage Center, 360 Main Street, Enterprise

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call the following members answered present to wit:

Oscar Brock
Bill Chapin
Robert Clinton
Nancy Epps
Brian Polk
Kimberly Reading
Tom Roberts
John Wagner
Zach Zacharias

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT:

Julie Adams Scofield, Historic Preservation Officer
Ian Williams, Asst. County Attorney/Staff Counsel
Jill Marcum, acting Recording Secretary

GUEST(S) PRESENT:

Cindy Sullivan, Albert Pell, Carl Hopf, Lee Giddens

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: - May 26, 2015 regular meeting--postponed

PUBLIC HEARING: -- CASE A-15-02

Application by the community for Certificate of Appropriateness for Relocation of the Osteen WWI War Memorial, located at intersection of 415 and New Smyrna Blvd., Osteen, Parcel ID #9207-00-00-0120.

Ms. Scofield referenced the Staff Report, recommending the request be approved as the WWI monument remains on the site, but will be in a more secure and enhanced location and will serve as the focal point for the proposed veteran's park development. She expressed full confidence in the moving company's strategy and ability to successfully accomplish the monument relocation.

Albert Pell, Lee Giddens and Carl Hopf (applicants), representing the veteran's park, provided information about their plans to enhance the monument. It expected the monument will be relocated in 30 to 60 days. Member Zacharias suggested that a re-dedication ceremony take place.

Member Clinton made a **MOTION** *"To approve the certificate of appropriateness for relocation of the WWI War Memorial."* Member Roberts seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Polk expressed appreciation to members of the community for their efforts to care for the monument.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Update re: revocation Pelham Square Historic District—Staff reported that the appeal was granted by the County Council. Bob Wetton spoke against granting the appeal, speaking in favor of historic preservation in general, and the precedent of revocation. No applications for demolition have been submitted to date. Ms. Scofield summarized the process prescribed in the ordinance for demolition and the review criteria for demolitions in general.
- B. Update re: Rio Vista Arch--Ms. Scofield reported that repairs are to be made to the portion of the arch that was impacted by the vehicle collision, using the insurance settlement of \$100,000, but at this time there is no effort on the part of the County to apply for grant funding to make other necessary repairs. Members encouraged staff to continue informal discussions with the Holly Hill Historical Society regarding the future of this resource. General consensus of the board is that additional preservation work is needed and would be worthwhile.
- C. Summary of Cemetery Resource Protection Training (CRPT) Conference co-sponsored with FPAN—Members Reading and Roberts reported on the successful conference and network, and Member Roberts was thanked for his period character presentation to the group. Discussion regarding the presentation about the cemetery associated with the Volusia County poorhouse/farm followed, lamenting the lack of information that has been found regarding that enterprise. Discussion also about lack of descendent community to consult for the re-burial.
- D. Change to Ordinance 62 redefining criteria for historic to fifty years vs. date specific Revision to Ordinance No. 2007-21, Chapter 62 – Ms. Scofield suggested that this effort be tabled to a later time.
- E. Space Port Florida Environmental Impact Study status—Ms. Scofield reported we might expect to review and comment on draft EIS sometime this fall.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Determination of non-contribution structure, 181 Clark Street, Enterprise Historic District—Staff requested that the structure at 181 Clark Street, be removed from the contributing property list because it was erroneously included as it is less than 50 years old.

Member Wagner made a **MOTION** *"To remove 181 Clark Street from the list of contributing structures in the Enterprise Historic District."* Member Zacharias seconded the motion. The motion carried 8 to 1.

- B. Other New Business—Suggested that the September meeting be held at the Holly Hill Historical Museum

MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS:

Member Polk thanked EPS and Cindy Sullivan for hosting the meeting and praised the association for their dedication and hard work to move and maintain the historic school. He reported that the Underhill House project will soon be underway. The Pioneer Settlement Board has hired A.G. Pifer who recently worked on repairs at DeBary Hall to complete the ECHO project. He also reported that an accidently discovered burial on the settlement’s property (late 1990s) is to be re-interred and they were requesting that the responsibility for arranging for a cemetery location be delegated to Ms. Scofield.

Member Reading reported she was working with FPAN to organize a CRPT Workshop for the volunteers associated with the Lincoln, Hollywood and Midway in the Pines cemeteries. The workshop is tentatively scheduled for October and will be open to anyone wishing to attend.

Chair Epps called to the Board’s attention a recent publication with an excellent article written by Member Zacharias and requested reprints. She also announced Member Chapin’s sculpture exhibition in New Smyrna Beach.

Member Chapin stated that he planned to personally approach the owners of Pelham Square to encourage preservation of the structures, regardless of their designation status.

Member Wagner is embarking on research to determine if the pipe organ at the Seabreeze United Methodist Church previously belonged to Mr. Burgoyne (founder of the yacht club).

PRESS & CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Mr. Pell shared his memory of working to save the historic Enterprise school from fire by using his citrus watering truck and refilling from Mr. Bruce’s swimming pool.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Epps adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary

Date _____ Chair _____ Secretary _____