



## Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Meeting Minutes August 9, 2018

Members Present: Patti McCambridge (Chair), Melissa Kemple (Vice Chair), Venetta Stephens, and David Schleeper

Staff/Others Present: Senior Planner Alexis Baker; Assistant City Attorney Meredith Jacobi; HPC Staff Advisors, Park Manager Kevin Kaul; Public Works Project Manager Wayne Mortimer; Code Compliance Inspector Pam Witham

The official meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by the Chair.

**Mr. Schleeper made a motion to approve the July 12, 2018 minutes as written. Ms. Stephens seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

Mr. Schleeper is compiling information for a historic marker for Bear Quarters. He would like to present this information, if possible, to the HPC in October.

The HPC would like to work with Chesapeake City Schools to enhance the curriculum for social studies.

The HPC discussed the historic bridges in South Norfolk, particularly the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge, slated to be demolished and replaced.

Ms. Stephens made a motion to write a letter to City Council recommending that the plaques on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Bridge and any other bridge artifacts be retained as property of the City of Chesapeake for public display and their preservation and display be administered by the HPC.

Ms. Baker mentioned the Williams Tract Comprehensive Plan Amendment was continued until October 10, 2018. She did not have any public hearing submittals for HPC review. She will send out the application review committee agenda when she receives it.

Ms. Jacobi has been assisting the HPC with railroad ROW access for photographs.

The HPC will research the Virginia Beach Code regarding their local historic register.

A historic map was copied for the HPC collection.

**Ms. Stephens made a motion to allow a reimbursement of \$30.72 for a map print. Ms. Kemple seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

The HPC has been researching African-American history. The approximate location of Sunset Park is near Bryan's Cove. Ms. McCambridge has a contact for Dr. Alexander, who is known for his research into African-American history and may be able to assist the HPC with questions.

Ms. McCambridge is working on oral histories and would like to speak to Buck Hodges and church historians belonging to the older churches in Chesapeake.

Ms. McCambridge presented name plaques for the framed photographs to the HPC. The South Norfolk Library will display eleven of their photographs in November and December. The HPC would like to have pictures of all structures on the historic register as well as pictures of agricultural areas, particularly century farms.

The Battlefield and Waterways Foundation Museum will have a soft opening in December.

The HPC discussed possible events that they could have displays.

**With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.**