

Draft Minutes

JOINT MEETING
STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES
9:00 a.m. June 20, 2024

The George Washington Hotel, The George Room, 103 E. Piccadilly St., Winchester, VA 22601

State Review Board Members Present

John Mullen, Chair
Dr. Jody L. Allen, Vice-Chair
Greg Rutledge
Dr. Larissa M. Smith
Carol Shull
Dr. Jeffrey Klee
Dr. Eleanor Breen

Historic Resources Board Members Present

Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax, Chair
W. Tucker Lemon, Vice-Chair
Trip Pollard
Dr. Ken Rutherford
Martin Townes
Mary Pope Hutson
Aimee Jorjani

State Review Board Members Absent

None

Historic Resources Board Members Absent

None

Department of Historic Resources Staff Present

Julie Langan, Director
Sarah Spota, Deputy Director*
Amanda Terrell
Brad McDonald
Aubrey Von Lindern
Michael Pulice
Michael Clem
Andy Poole
Latoya Gray-Sparks*
Wendy Musumeci*
Karri Richardson*
Joanna Wilson-Green*

Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director
Jolene Smith
Megan Melinat
Dr. Jennifer Loux
Marc Wagner*
Joanna McKnight
Austin Walker
Elizabeth Lipford*
Ivy Tan*
Kyle Edwards*
Jennifer Belville-Marion*

**denotes virtual attendance*

Other State Agency Staff Present

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General

Guests Present (from attendees list in Teams and sign-in sheets):

Debra McClane	William Reed	Charles Pool
Warren Hofstra	Deanna Reed	Mary Chamberlin
Brenda Nelson	Doris Reed	Linda R. Noe
John Settle IV	Carole Nash	Josef Noe
John Settle III	Lucas Cook	David Lewis
Ann Grogg	Mark Metzler Sawin	Nathaniel Glasgow
Marcus Pollard	Martha Wolfe	Bessida White
Judy Humbert	Wendy Kedzierski	Mollie Amelia Godfrey
David A. Brown	Carmen Crawford	Whitney Hughes
Joe A. Shull	W.A. Wyatt	Julien Icher
Mark Reed	Monica Esparza	
Deanna Reed	Lynn Wilson	

State Review Board (SRB)

Chair Mullen called the State Review Board to order at 9:04 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of SRB members to confirm the presence of a quorum. Ms. Shull, Vice-Chair Allen, Dr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Dr. Smith, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen are present.

Chair Mullen read the land acknowledgement statement. He next explained the purpose and duties of the SRB and the process of Register designation. Each SRB member introduced themselves.

Chair Mullen noted that today's meeting is taking place in person and online, and is being recorded. He said that some members of the public are attending the meeting online. He then thanked Susie Smith, general manager of the George Washington Hotel, and the hotel staff for their hospitality. Chair Mullen next asked the SRB members if there are any questions about the agenda. Hearing none, Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the meeting format and agenda. Dr. Allen so moved and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the March 21, 2024, meeting minutes pending minor corrections read into the record. Mullen asked for a motion to approve the March 21, 2024, meeting minutes as corrected. Mr. Klee so moved and Dr. Breen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Board of Historic Resources (BHR)

Chair Fairfax called the Board of Historic Resources to order at 9:13 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of BHR members to establish the presence of a quorum: Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Lemon, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Townes, Ms. Hutson, and Ms. Jorjani are present.

Chair Fairfax next explained the purpose and duties of the BHR. She invited BHR members to introduce themselves and introduced herself. Chair Fairfax noted that today's meeting is taking place in person and online, and is being recorded. She said that some DHR staff members are attending the meeting online as are members of the public.

Chair Fairfax requested a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Vice-Chair Lemon so moved and Ms. Hutson seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the March 21, 2024, meeting minutes as corrected. Vice-Chair Lemon made the motion and Ms. Jorjani seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Director's Report:

Chair Fairfax introduced Director Langan. Director Langan thanked Susie Smith and the staff of the George Washington Hotel for their hospitality. She also thanked DHR staff and various partners who took part in planning and hosting Juneteenth activities the previous day. These included the dedication of a highway marker for John C. Underwood at the historic Burwell-Morgan Mill in Clarke County as well as tours of the Josephine School Community Museum, Clermont Farm, and the Third Winchester Battlefield Park. These events were followed by a reception hosted by the Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation at the Old Frederick County Courthouse in Winchester. Director Langan reflected on the timing of Boards meeting again in Winchester at the George Washington Hotel, which last took place 17 years ago.

Director Langan introduced Andrew Tarne from the Office of the Attorney General. She then introduced Warren Hofstra, professor at Shenandoah University and former chair of the Board of Historic Resources, who made brief remarks on the restoration of the George Washington Hotel using historic rehabilitation tax credits. Finally, Director Langan introduced new National Register Program Manager Austin Walker.

Director Langan noted that Chair Fairfax and Vice-Chair Lemon will be departing the Board of Historic Resources following the end of their current terms. She thanked both members for their distinguished service. Director Langan stated that new Board elections will be held in September.

Director Langan noted that Architectural Historian Marc Wagner is retiring following a long tenure with the department. She reflected on his expertise and encyclopedic memory of Virginia's architectural history and noted her presence on his original interview panel. Director Langan stated that she considers Mr. Wagner one of the department's best hires during her tenure.

Director Langan noted a number of remaining vacancies – seven in total – and lamented the current difficulties in recruitment within the historic preservation field. She stated that DHR fared well in the state budget recently approved by the General Assembly. This new budget includes corrections to funding language for DHR's BIPOC Historic Preservation Grant Program, for which a number of projects were approved at the previous meeting. The budget also includes funding for the reconstruction of the barn at Clermont, a capital grant program for Virginia landmarks as part of VA 250 commemoration, and three new full-time positions within DHR, including a Deputy Director of Preservation Programs and two additional positions in the Division of Administration. Director Langan stated that DHR staff are already preparing requests for the next legislative session.

Finally, Director Langan called attention to the National Register nomination for the Ida Mae Francis Tourist Home in Harrisonburg and noted that a recently completed Multiple Property Document for *Green Book* resources in Virginia will facilitate similar listings in the future.

Resolutions

Director Langan read into the record a formal resolution recognizing Mr. Wagner's distinguished contributions and dedicated service during his long tenure at DHR. Dr. Klee moved to approve the resolution and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The SRB approved the resolution. Vice-Chair Lemon moved to approve the resolution and Dr. Rutherford seconded. The BHR approved the resolution.

Chair Fairfax read into the record a resolution recognizing Vice-Chair Lemon's service to the Board of Historic Resources during his four-year term, as well as his long-standing dedication to historic preservation in Virginia throughout his career. Ms. Hutson moved to approve the resolution, and Dr. Rutherford seconded. The BHR approved the resolution.

Vice-Chair Lemon read into the record a resolution recognizing Chair Fairfax's service to the Board of Historic Resources during her eight-year tenure, including her unparalleled commitment to the Department's highway marker program, and her distinguished contributions to Norfolk State University, the Alpha Kappa Alpha organization, and the City of Hampton's 400th commemorative commission. Ms. Hutson moved to approve the resolution, and Dr. Rutherford seconded. The BHR approved the resolution.

Public Comment

Chair Fairfax introduced and explained the purpose of the public comment period and noted that speakers are asked to limit their remarks to three minutes. She added that the BHR will not take action on any comments presented today but DHR will take the comments under consideration. She requested that speakers limit their comments to a span of three minutes. She added that a second comment period will occur when the BHR meets this afternoon to review Highway Marker and Easement program materials.

Six people have signed in to speak in person; and three persons attending online chose to speak:

1. Debra McClane, architectural historian, spoke in support of the nomination for the Chesapeake Beach Historic District, which she authored. She noted the high level of community outreach and support for the nomination.

2. John Settle IV, author of the nomination for Woodbourne and son of the current owner, spoke in support of the property, and thanked the Boards and DHR staff for their consideration and assistance.
3. Judy Humbert spoke in support of the highway marker for the Douglas School, a historically Black school and center for the African American community in Winchester and the surrounding area.
4. Mark Reed, historic preservation planner for Virginia Beach, spoke in support of the two nominations put forth from Virginia Beach: the Pleasant Ridge School Historic District and the Chesapeake Beach Historic District. He noted the extensive outreach conducted on behalf of the Chesapeake Beach Historic District, and thanked Marc Wagner for his assistance in developing the district and completing the nomination. He then spoke on the unique history of the Pleasant Ridge School and its significance to the local African American community, as well as its associations with the nearby church. He also noted archaeological investigations conducted by the City of Virginia Beach, which have provided additional context to the site.
5. Dr. Mark Metzler Sawin from Eastern Mennonite University spoke in support of the nomination for the Ida Mae Francis Tourist Home and reflected on its significance as a *Green Book* resource. He also highlighted the community nature of the project, which also involved staff and individuals from the City of Harrisonburg and James Madison University.
6. Carmen Crawford, member of the Winchester School Board, spoke in support of the historical highway marker for the Douglas School, noting its profound and continued importance to the city's African American community.
7. Monica Esparza spoke in support of the Hickory Hill School nomination and thanked all those involved in the process.
8. Lynn Wilson, property owner, spoke in support of the Indian Springs Farm nomination.
9. Charles Pool spoke in support of the Hickory Hill School nomination. He thanked the Boards for their consideration, and Director Langan, Joanna McKnight, and Marc Wagner for their assistance. He also noted the school's unique design, per Department of Education plans.

Chair Fairfax thanked everyone who spoke today, noted that their comments will receive careful consideration, and said that the public comment period is concluded.

Chair Fairfax called for a brief break at 10:16 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:28 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Eastern Region

1. ** } Chesapeake Beach Historic District, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5672
2. ** Δ Hickory Hill School, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-0434
3. Hundley Hall and Hoskins Country Store, Essex County, DHR No. 028-0019
4. ** Δ } Pleasant Ridge School Historic District, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-0399
5. Woodbourne, Westmoreland County, DHR No. 096-5066
6. # Indian Springs Farm, Henrico County, DHR No. 043-6408

Ms. Joanna McKnight presented nominations 1 through 5. Mr. Michael Clem presented nomination 6.

Dr. Smith stated the potential for state-level significance under Criterion B for the Hickory Hill School pending further research; Ms. McKnight agreed and noted the current intention to proceed to listing while pursuing additional historic context. Dr. Fairfax noted that while the school now falls within the City of Richmond due to annexation, it historically served as a center of the African American community in Chesterfield County.

Chair Mullen noted the high likelihood for archaeological potential on the Hundley Hall and Hoskins Country Store site; Ms. McKnight concurred.

Vice-Chair Lemon asked for clarification regarding the nomination of the Pleasant Ridge School Historic District as a district rather than individual resources. Ms. McKnight stated that this was both an effort to highlight the historic relationship between the school, church, and cemetery and an administrative necessity given the multiple

property owners associated. Ms. Shull noted the common pattern of church-school pairings in African American communities across Virginia, and wanted to ensure that the relationship was discussed fully in the nomination.

Chair Fairfax inquired about the potential for future outreach to indigenous communities regarding additional historic context related the Indian Springs Farm site. Mr. Clem noted the site's proximity to two Virginia Indian reservations and the desire for outreach. Vice-Chair Lemon asked about the existing conservation easement on the property. It was stated that archaeological work already undertaken has worked within the parameters of that easement, which is held by the Capital Region Land Conservancy. Director Langan informed the Boards that DHR is in the process of finalizing a tribal outreach policy, and that one of the Federally-recognized tribes in Virginia will soon be establishing a Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) – the first in the state.

Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the six Eastern Region nominations as presented. Ms. Shull so moved, and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nominations as presented.

Chair Fairfax requested a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations as presented. Vice-Chair Lemon moved that the nominations be approved. Dr. Rutherford seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nominations as presented.

Northern Region

1. Bel Air, Town of Front Royal, Warren County, DHR No. 112-0007
2. Green Spring Mill, Frederick County, DHR No. 034-0151
3. Δ Ida Mae Francis Tourist Home, City of Harrisonburg, DHR No. 115-0430

Ms. Aubrey Von Lindern presented nominations 1, 2, and 3 as a block.

Mr. Rutledge asked for clarification on whether Criterion A was being considered for Bel Air, given the considerable discussion of the house's historic associations. Ms. Von Lindern confirmed that Bel Air is being nominated only under Criterion C for its architectural distinction.

Ms. Shull inquired about whether the period of significance for Green Spring Mill should extend to encompass the continued operation of the general store into the mid-20th century. Vice-Chair Lemon asked if any part of the mill race remains extant. Ms. Von Lindern confirmed that it does.

Chair Fairfax asked about the exact location of the Ida Mae Francis Tourist Home in Harrisonburg. It was confirmed that the house is located on Mason Street but was erroneously listed as being on Main Street in the first three editions of the *Green Book*. It was also stated that the house sits on the last remaining spur of historic Mason Street.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the three Northern Region nominations as presented. Ms. Breen so moved and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Northern region nominations as presented.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations as presented. Dr. Rutherford so moved and Vice-Chair Lemon seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve the Northern Region nominations as presented.

Western Region

1. *** Norwich Historic District, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-6478
2. ^ Warminster Rural Historic District, Nelson County, DHR No. 062-5160
3. Δ Winslow Hospital, City of Danville, DHR No. 108-6194

Mr. Michael Pulice presented nominations 1, 2, and 3 as a block.

Vice-Chair Lemon disclosed that one of his law partners was approached by a property owner with questions regarding the Norwich Historic District. Chair Fairfax emphasized the district nomination's acknowledgement of child labor and working-class history.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the three Western Region nominations as presented. Vice Chair Allen so moved and Dr. Klee seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations as presented.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations as presented. Dr. Rutherford so moved and Vice-Chair Lemon seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Dr. Klee so moved and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Dr. Rutherford made the motion and Ms. Hutson seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

The joint meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Register Summary of Resources Listed: Historic Districts: 4
Buildings: 7
Structures: 0
Sites: 1
Objects: 0
MPDs: 0

BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

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Board of Historic Resources Members Present:

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W. Tucker Lemon, Vice Chair
Mary Pope Hutson
Trip Pollard
Aimee K. Jorjani
Dr. Ken Rutherford
Martin Townes

Department of Historic Resources (DHR)

Staff Present:

Julie Langan, Director
Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director
Sarah Spota, Deputy Director
Kyle Edwards
Elizabeth Lipford
Dr. Jennifer Loux
Brad McDonald
Megan Melinat
Wendy Musumeci
Jennifer Pullen
Karri Richardson
Ivy Tan
Joanna Wilson Green
Andy Poole

**denotes virtual attendance*

Other State Agency Staff Present:

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General

Guests Present from Attendees List at Meeting:

Mark Reed
Ann Grogg

Guests Registered in Teams:

Catherine Easterling	Whitney Hughes	Linda Noe
Monica Esparza	David Lewis	Edwina St. Rose
Mollie Godfrey	Josef Noe	Bessida White

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fairfax called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Fairfax read the following Land Acknowledgment Statement:

The Department of Historic Resources/Board of Historic Resources/State Review Board acknowledges the indigenous peoples of Virginia and expresses its gratitude for their continued stewardship of her lands and waterways over many generations. We also acknowledge the free and enslaved Africans and their descendants whose labors and contributions on behalf of the Commonwealth have long been overlooked. We commit ourselves to meaningful engagement with all Virginians, past and present, as we strive to fulfill our charge as stewards of Virginia's long and rich history.

Chair Fairfax also read the following DHR Purpose Statement:

The Virginia Board of Historic Resources is an official policy-making board of the Commonwealth of Virginia created by the Code of Virginia. Its policies are implemented by the Department of Historic Resources, which day in and day out labors on behalf of our irreplaceable resources in the interest of the citizens of this Commonwealth. The Board is charged primarily with the responsibility for:

1. *Designating historic landmarks of local, statewide, or national significance;*
2. *Establishing historic preservation practices for the care and management of our Virginia Historic Landmarks;*
3. *Designating state-recognized historic districts and archaeological sites and zones;*
4. *Approving historical highway markers;*
5. *Reviewing programs and services of the Agency, and making recommendations to the Director of DHR and the Governor regarding programs and services; and in order to preserve important sites and buildings in perpetuity; and*
6. *Accepting voluntarily granted gifts of preservation easements over historic properties to the Commonwealth.*

The Governor of Virginia selects members of the Board from volunteer and professional leaders of Virginia's history, preservation, and museum communities. Votes taken during this meeting are official actions of the Commonwealth of Virginia Board of Historic Resources.

Chair Fairfax read the Board of Historic Resources Call to Order and invited those Board members present to introduce themselves: Vice Chair Lemon, Ms. Hutson, Ms. Jorjani, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Martin and Chair Fairfax.

Chair Fairfax reminded everyone that this is a public meeting that is being streamed online. The online feed is being recorded. Chair Fairfax thanked The George Washington Hotel for hosting this meeting.

HIGHWAY MARKERS

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following five (5) New Markers as a block.

New Markers

- * Marker Contributes to the diversification of the program
- ^ Marker Sponsored by DHR

1.) Fairfax Resolves

Sponsor: Office of Historic Alexandria
 Locality: City of Alexandria
 Proposed Location: Fairfax St. near the intersection with Cameron St.

2.) Craig County Poor Farm

Sponsor: Sen. Bill Frist and Tracy Frist
 Locality: Craig County
 Proposed Location: 630 Poorhouse Farm Run, New Castle

*** 3.) Douglas School**

Sponsor: Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society
 Locality: City of Winchester
 Proposed Location: 598 N. Kent St.

*** 4.) The Carver Inn**

Sponsor: City of Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee
 Locality: City of Charlottesville
 Proposed Location: Preston Ave., east of intersection with Forest Ave.

*** 5). Dr. Lilli Vincenz (1937-2023)**

Sponsor: Arlington County Historic Preservation Program
Locality: Arlington County
Proposed Location: 817-829 S. Carlin Springs Rd.

Board Comments Summary: With reference to the Craig County Poor Farm marker, Dr. Rutherford questioned whether economic status is considered when reviewing highway markers for diversification purposes. Dr. Loux confirmed that economic diversification is a factor in the review of highway marker applications, but that, for tracking purposes, the program technically only categorizes markers as contributing to diversity if they focus on women, African Americans, or Native Americans.

With a motion to approve New Markers #1-5 by Mr. Pollard and a second from Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following five (5) Replacement Markers:

Replacement Markers

1.) Samuel Jordan of Jordan's Journey PA-252

Sponsor: VDOT
Locality: Prince George County
Proposed Location: Jordan Point Road (Route 156) at intersection with Jordan Point Parkway

2.) The Brick House WO-33

Sponsor: VDOT
Locality: New Kent County
Proposed Location: Eltham Road (Route 33), just east of intersection with Virginia Ave.

3.) Wayne's Crossing F-5

Sponsor: VDOT
Locality: Loudoun County
Proposed Location: US 15 (James Monroe Hwy), south of intersection with Stumptown Road

*** 4.) Black Hawk (1767-1838) SA-75**

Sponsor: GRTC
Locality: City of Richmond
Proposed Location: Main St. near intersection with S. 13th St.

5.) Opening of Gettysburg Campaign F-13

Sponsor: Mr. Clark Hall
Locality: Culpeper County
Proposed Location: Rte. 762 (Brandy Road) just east of the intersection with U.S. 15

Board Comments Summary: Board members asked if DHR surveys its existing markers to determine if replacement markers are needed. Dr. Loux stated that VDOT surveys the markers every three years. Mr. Lemon asked if replacement markers display the same code as the original, and Dr. Loux confirmed that they do. Ms. Jorjani asked if the replacement markers display the year the original marker was approved, and Dr. Loux indicated that they only display the year the most recent text was approved.

With a motion to approve Replacement Markers #1-5 by Dr. Rutherford and a second from Ms. Hutson, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following list of applications under consideration for the March 2024 Board Cycle:

Applications Under Consideration for June 2024 Board Cycle

- 1.) Bruce Tucker (Dinwiddie County)
- 2.) The Stewart Sisters v. The Steamer *Sue* (Westmoreland County)
- 3.) Charles Craven Lynched (Town of Leesburg)
- 4.) Resilience Amid Resistance (City of Harrisonburg)
- 5.) Third Street Bethel AME Church (City of Richmond)
- 6.) Mountain Dew Invented Here (Town of Marion)
- 7.) North Pamunkey Baptist Church (Orange County)
- 8.) Old Dawn (Caroline County)
- 9.) Korean Immigrants in Northern Virginia (Fairfax County)
- 10.) Norfolk Community Hospital (City of Norfolk)
- 11.) Riverhill Baptist Church (Grayson County)
- 12.) Whitesville School (Accomack County)
- 13.) Nike Battery N-36 (City of Virginia Beach)
- 14.) Seminary School (City of Alexandria)
- 15.) Yellow Branch Colored School (Campbell County)
- 16.) AKA Upsilon Omega (City of Richmond)
- 17.) Hampstead (New Kent County)
- 18.) Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson (Town of Bluefield)

Marker texts for applications #1-#7 (Bruce Tucker, The Stewart Sisters v. The Steamer *Sue*, Charles Craven Lynched, Resilience Amid Resistance, Third Street Bethel AME Church, Mountain Dew Invented Here, and North Pamunkey Baptist Church), will be presented at the September 2024 Board Meeting, and applications #8-#9 (Old Dawn and Korean Immigrants in Northern Virginia) will serve as alternate selections.

Dr. Loux also noted that the foundry is catching up on DHR’s marker queue.

Board Comments Summary: Board members questioned whether the fact that Washington and Lafayette passed through the community of Dawn (#8) should give the topic greater weight as a VA-250 project. Dr. Loux responded that their brief appearance in Dawn was not enough to give it status as a VA-250 marker, and that additional documentation would strengthen this application.

With a motion to approve the June 2024 Board Cycle Applications #1-7 and Alternates #8-#9 by Dr. Rutherford and a second by Ms. Hutson, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following Lafayette Trail marker for approval:

The Lafayette Trail

The William C. Pomeroy Foundation seeks approval of the text (which has been fact-checked by DHR staff) for the following Lafayette Trail marker:

- 1.) Lafayette’s Tour: On November 2, 1824, General Lafayette dined then spent the night in Goochland on his way to Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello.
Location: Goochland County

Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve the Lafayette Trail Marker by Mr. Pollard and a second by Vice Chair Lemon, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following Revolutionary America, 1775-1783 markers for approval:

Revolutionary America Marker (NSDAR)

The NSDAR seeks approval of the text (which has been fact-checked by DHR staff) for the following Revolutionary America, 1775-1783 marker:

- 1.) 1780-1781 Camp: Virginia troops who trained here in conditions similar to Valley Forge were pivotal in Gen. Greene's campaign in the Carolinas.
Location: Chesterfield County

Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve the Revolutionary America Marker by Ms. Hutson and a second by Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

The Marker portion of the agenda ended at 1:20 p.m.

BURIAL PERMITS

Joanna Wilson Green gave a brief presentation on burial permits:

- Between March 21 and June 14, 2024, DHR issued six (6) burial permits on behalf of the Board of Historic Resources.
- Four (4) anticipatory permits (no purposeful disturbance of buried human remains proposed).
- One permit issued to the University of Richmond to accommodate treatment of ancestral remains associated with construction of a memorial space honoring the Burying Ground for the Enslaved. Thankfully no burials were identified during the construction process.
- One permit issued to the Monticello Foundation to allow temporary curation of fragmentary remains exhumed from a small family cemetery on the historic Shadwell property in the early 1990s – the remains are to be reinterred following community consultation.
- Five (5) permits were closed following completion of permit terms, and one permit was extended to accommodate project delays.

Ms. Wilson Green also presented an update on the Burying Ground for the Enslaved Memorial at the University of Richmond which is expected to be open for visitation in 2025. The Memorial was designed by architect Burt Pinnock in consultation with a council of descendants.

Board Comments Summary: None.

The Burial Permits portion of the agenda ended at 1:24 p.m.

EASEMENTS

New Easement Offers for Consideration

Mr. Edwards presented the following new easement offers for consideration:

1. **Stonewall Brigade III Tract, Chancellorsville Battlefield, Spotsylvania County**
Applicant: Central Virginia Battlefields Trust

Offer for ±2.0 acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Stonewall Brigade III Tract easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Subordination of the existing Deed of Trust and Assignment of Leases to BHR's historic preservation and open-space easement.
2. Subordination of any existing leases to BHR's easement prior to recordation of BHR's historic preservation and open-space easement.
3. Demolition of the existing non-historic buildings and structures and rehabilitation of the battlefield landscape shall be completed within three years from the date of easement recordation. Rehabilitation or restoration of the landscape shall be conducted according to a written rehabilitation management plan negotiated jointly by the by DHR and CVBT, and such plan shall be incorporated into the easement either directly or by reference.
4. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

2. Brandy Rock Farm, Brandy Station Battlefield, Culpeper County

Applicant: Brandy Rock Farm, LLC, facilitated by the American Battlefield Trust

Offer for ±100 acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Land Conservation Foundation and Virginia Land Preservation Tax Credits

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Brandy Rock Farm easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Continued negotiation of easement terms to the satisfaction of DHR.
2. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Board Comments Summary: Board members requested clarification as to why this easement is only 100 acres of the larger 500-acre property. Mr. Edwards noted that the owner is working with the Trust to apply for future easements over other areas of the property, and the current proposed easement is Phase I of a multi-phase project.

3. Whitby Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County

Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for ±8.933 acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Land Conservation Foundation

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Whitby Tract easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Demolition of the existing non-historic buildings and structures and rehabilitation of the landscape shall be completed within three years from the date of easement recordation. Rehabilitation or restoration of the landscape shall be conducted according to a written rehabilitation management plan negotiated by DHR and the American Battlefield Trust, and such plan shall be incorporated into the easement either directly or by reference.

2. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

4. Shockey Tract, Second Winchester Battlefield, Frederick County

Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for ±39.275 acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Shockey Tract easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Receipt of a recorded document releasing the existing covenants benefitting Parcels 44-A-40 and 44-A-31A and burdening the Shockey Tract prior to conveyance of the Property from the current owner, Stephenson Associates, to SVBF.
2. Receipt of a recorded document vacating two 50' and 60' general utility easements and one variable width septic easement prior to conveyance of the Property from Stephenson Associates to SVBF.
3. Receipt of any lease(s) in effect at the time of easement recordation; any such lease(s) must be written and include language approved by DHR that subordinates the lease(s) to the easement.
4. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

5. Woodworth Cottage, New Market Historic District, Shenandoah County

Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for ±0.267 acres

Proposed Funding: Virginia Land Conservation Foundation

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Woodworth Cottage easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Receipt of any lease(s) in effect at the time of easement recordation; any such lease(s) must be written and include language approved by DHR that subordinates the lease(s) to the easement.
2. Receipt of the Historic Structures Report (“HSR”) prior to easement drafting. Extent of protections for interior historic features will be determined by DHR staff after HSR is complete.
3. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Board Comments Summary: Board members suggested that a highway marker should be installed at the Woodworth Cottage site to commemorate Mrs. Rupert’s contribution to education in New Market.

With a motion to approve New Easement Offers #1-5 as presented by staff by Vice Chair Lemon and a second by Mr. Townes, all members voted in the affirmative.

Easements Recorded Since the March 2024 BHR Meeting

Mr. Edwards briefed the Board about the following recently recorded easements:

- 1. Robertson-Welch Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**
Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust
Acreage: ±48.17 acres
Recorded: March 15, 2024
- 2. Pegram's Battery Tract, Cedar Mountain Battlefield, Culpeper County**
Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust
Acreage: ±44.752 acres
Recorded: March 19, 2024
- 3. Jackson Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**
Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust
Acreage: ±2.304 acres
Recorded: March 20, 2024
- 4. Bois Dore, Fairfax County**
Easement Donor: Charlotte Fredette Smith Eagle
Acreage: ±1.2901 acres
Recorded: April 15, 2024
- 5. Golden Oaks/Fleetwood Heights Tract, Brandy Station Battlefield, Culpeper County**
Easement Donor: Brandy Station Foundation
Acreage: ±3.1112 acres
Recorded: May 21, 2024
Amendment to incorporate additional acreage
- 6. Culpeper Battlefields State Park Phase I, Culpeper County**
Easement Donor: Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Conservation and Recreation
Acreage: ±168.07
Recorded June 6, 2024
Assignment, Amendment, Consolidation, and Restatement of Easements

Board Comments Summary: Board members congratulated easement staff on the recordation of the Culpeper Battlefields State Park Phase I Assignment, Amendment, Consolidation and Restatement of Easements.

With a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Pollard and a second by Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax adjourned the meeting of the Board of Historic Resources at 1:48 p.m.

STATE REVIEW BOARD

The George Washington Hotel, The Fairfax Room, 103 E. Piccadilly St., Winchester, VA 22601

State Review Board Members Present

- Chair John Mullen
- Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen
- Dr. Jeffrey E. Klee
- Greg Rutledge
- Carol Shull
- Dr. Larissa M Smith
- Dr. Eleanor Breen

State Review Board Members Absent

None

Department of Historic Resources Staff Present

- Amanda Terrell
- Jolene Smith
- Joanna McKnight
- Michael Pulice
- Aubrey Von Lindern
- Brad McDonald
- Austin Walker
- Taylor Callaway*
- Jennifer Belville-Marion* **denotes virtual attendance*

Other State Agency Staff Present:

None

Guests (from attendees list in Teams and sign-in sheets): Josef & Linda Noe, Lena McDonald, Marcus Pollard, Dr. David Brown, Kathleen Morgan, Catherine Easterling, Tanya Graham, Julien Icher

Chair Mullen called the meeting to order at 12:59 p.m. for discussion and consideration of the Preliminary Information Forms (informal guidance session).

The Preliminary Information Forms (PIFs) on the Consent Agenda were considered first. SRB members may request that PIFs on the Consent Agenda be switched to the meeting’s Discussion Agenda. They also can email DHR staff with any questions about all of the PIFs in advance of the meeting (emails between DHR staff and up to two SRB members do not violate the Virginia FOIA). The Board approved the Consent Agenda by voice vote with the following PIFs on this portion of the meeting’s agenda. DHR staff provided written summaries of each PIF for review as a single block.

Consent Agenda

Western Region.....presented by Michael Pulice

1. Δ Woodruff’s Store, Amherst County, DHR No. 005-5594
2. *Δ Shipman Historic District, Nelson County, DHR No. 062-5312
3. ** Presbyterian Cemetery, City of Lynchburg, DHR No. 118-5737
4. * Spencer Hill Historic District, Town of Halifax, Halifax County, DHR No. 230-5085
5. Wytheville Elementary School, Town of Wytheville, Wythe County, DHR No. 139-5222

Eastern Region.....presented by Joanna McKnight

1. Christ Church School, Middlesex County, DHR No. 059-5480
2. Δ Gilfield Baptist Church, Southampton County, DHR No. 087-5416
3. ** Garden Apartment Complexes of Norfolk Multiple Property Document (MPD), City of Norfolk, DHR No. 122-6481
4. **\$ Talbot Park Apartments, City of Norfolk, DHR No. 122-6482

Northern Region.....presented by Aubrey Von Lindern

1. **\$ Barcroft Apartments Historic District, Arlington County, DHR No. 000-9419
2. Gravel Springs Farm, Frederick County, DHR No. 034-0124
3. Criglersville Elementary School, Madison County, DHR No. 056-5067
4. **Δ Hall's Hill Historic District, Arlington County, DHR No. 000-4909

Dr. Klee initiated a discussion regarding the use of Criterion C for Talbot Park Apartments, and possibly for the Garden Apartment Complexes of Norfolk MPD, following the recent return of the nomination for McKinney Library in Petersburg. Mr. Marcus Pollard noted that a Part 1 application for the apartment complex was submitted for historic rehabilitation tax credit consideration, and that the use of architect Bernard Spigel for justification of Criterion C has received slight pushback from National Park Service staff. The success of similar garden apartment MPDs from Arlington and Richmond was noted.

Ms. Shull raised concerns about the boundaries of the Spencer Hill Historic District. Mr. Pulice noted that the Architecture Evaluation Committee had asked for the boundary as initially submitted to be reduced from a larger preliminary study area to a more justifiable residential district.

Ms. Shull inquired about Wytheville Elementary School and why the entire surrounding educational complex was not being included in the proposed boundary. Mr. Pulice noted that the school is owned by the local historical society, while the Town owns the adjacent parcels.

Ms. Shull asked about potential significance under Criterion B for the Criglersville Elementary School. Ms. Von Lindern that further research may bear out additional significance.

The SRB members approved all the PIFs on the Consent Agenda by voice vote.

Each of the PIFs on the Discussion Agenda was presented by DHR staff then discussed and voted on by the SRB members. The PIFs on the Discussion Agenda were all approved by voice vote, with additional comments noted where relevant.

Discussion Agenda

Western Region.....presented by Michael Pulice

1. Redlands, Nelson County, DHR No. 062-0063
Dr. Klee concurred with the PIF's emphasis on the unusual nature of a Flemish bond façade with glazed headers constructed as late as the mid-1830s, a notable architectural distinction.
2. Leonard R. Williamson House, Halifax County, DHR No. 041-5804
Dr. Klee concurred with the PIF's emphasis on the house's importance as a rare surviving representative of a common, early-to-mid-19th century vernacular house type in Southside Virginia. Ms. Shull expressed the need for more thorough architectural documentation; Mr. Pulice concurred.
3. ** Δ Washington Park Caretaker's House, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-0017
The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.

4. ** Fishburn Park Keeper’s Cottage, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-0032
The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee’s recommendations regarding eligibility.

Eastern Region.....presented by Brad McDonald

1. Δ Fairfield Archaeology District, Gloucester County, DHR No. 036-5313
Dr. Breen noted the strength of the proposed district as representing a continuum of multiple periods of history. She expressed her belief that similar archaeological nominations should include information on where relevant archaeological collections are located as an integral part of the overall repository.

Eastern Region.....presented by Taylor Callaway

1. # The Hand Site, Southampton County, DHR No. 087-5681/44SN0022
Chair Mullen expressed support for using an identifiable landform as a naturally defined the boundary for the final nomination. The potential for a district encompassing nearby sites was also discussed. Dr. Klee inquired about the site’s relationship to Nat Turner’s route in Southampton County, and the potential for 19th century artifacts as well.

Eastern Region.....presented by Joanna McKnight

1. Sublett’s Tavern, Powhatan County, DHR No. 072-0042
Dr. Klee noted similarities in plan between Sublett’s Tavern and Wetherburn’s Tavern and Raleigh Tavern in Williamsburg as well as Hanover Tavern in Hanover County. He also offered thoughts on the possible chronology of the building’s evolution from a dwelling to a tavern. Dr. Klee also noted the potential for further research related to the moved outbuildings on the property. Property owners Josef and Linda Noe provided additional information about the evolution of the resources. Dr. Smith noted the potential for further research regarding the history of labor on the site.
2. ** West Hospital, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-0252-0001
The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee’s recommendations regarding eligibility.

Northern Region.....presented by Aubrey Von Lindern

1. ** Little Falls, Stafford County, DHR No. 089-0283
The potential for archaeological significance under Criterion D was discussed. A. Von Lindern stated that additional documentation may be submitted in support of this following planned archaeological fieldwork.
2. Baldwin-Clark House, Frederick County, DHR No. 034-0140
Dr. Klee noted the importance of a floor plan for a full nomination to articulate the historic development and evolving programmatic use of the house more clearly.
3. ** Runnymede Farm, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-0340
A 1974 floor plan drawing for the house was discussed to better understand the historic development of the building. The importance of translating the architectural analysis from that plan and accompanying survey into a final nomination was noted.
4. ** Mayfield Historic District, City of Fredericksburg, DHR No. 111-5381
The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee’s recommendations regarding eligibility.

Chair Mullen adjourned the SRB meeting at 4:02 p.m.

- * Cost Share Sponsored Project
- ** Certified Local Government
- *** Certified Local Government Grant Sponsored Project
- Associated with African American History
- # Associated with Virginia Indian History
- ^ ESHPF Grant-Funded Project
- % State Stewardship
- > National Park Service Grant-Funded Project
- } Sponsored by Local Government (no grants utilized)
- < Threatened Sites state grant
- { African American Outreach state grant
- | National Trust for Historic Preservation private grant
- \ BIPOC application
- \$ Associated with a Multiple Property Documentation Form