# **Approved Minutes**

# JOINT MEETING STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES 10:00 a.m. December 8, 2022

Virginia Museum of History and Culture, 428 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd., Richmond, Virginia 23220

## **State Review Board Members Present**

John Mullen, Chair

Dr. Eleanor Breen Jeffrey E. Klee Greg Rutledge Carol Shull Dr. Larissa M. Smith

## **Attending Online**

Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen

**State Review Board Members Absent** 

None.

# **Historic Resources Board Members Present**

W. Tucker Lemon, Chair Aimee Jorjani Karice Luck-Brimmer Trip Pollard Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax, Vice-Chair Jeffrey "Free" A. Harris

Historic Resources Board Members Absent None.

## **Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Julie Langan, Director	Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director	
Amanda Terrell	Brad McDonald	
Megan Melinat	Lena McDonald	
Aubrey Von Lindern	Marc Wagner	
Michael Pulice	Joanna McKnight	
Dr. Jennifer Loux	LaToya Gray-Sparks	
Jolene Smith	Andy Poole	
Joanna Wilson Green	Kyle Edwards	
Blake McDonald	Karri Richardson	

## **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General (attending online) Wes Morgan, Office of the Attorney General

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

Debra McClane	Mark Reed	Marcus Pollard	Louis Malon
Marcus Squire	Wright		

## **State Review Board (SRB)**

At 10:02 a.m., Chair Mullen called the SRB meeting to order. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of SRB members to confirm the presence of a quorum. Ms. Shull, Dr. Breen, Mr. Klee, Mr. Rutledge, Dr. Smith, Vice-Chair Allen, and Chair Mullen are present. Chair Mullen noted that Vice-Chair Allen is attending the meeting online in accordance with Article VI Section G of the SRB's Bylaws. Chair Mullen asked if any Board members object to Vice-Chair Allen attending online. None were made.

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 the

meeting is public, is being held in person, is streaming online, and is being recorded; he added that the hosting venue has a masks-optional policy. Chair Mullen 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. Breen so moved and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the September 15, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Klee so moved and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

## **Board of Historic Resources (BHR)**

Chair Lemon called the Board of Historic Resources to order at 10:11 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of BHR members to establish the presence of a quorum: Chair Lemon, Vice-Chair Harris, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Pollard, and Ms. Luck-Brimmer are present. Ms. Jorjani arrived shortly after the roll call vote was taken.

Chair Lemon explained the purpose and duties of the BHR. He invited BHR members to introduce themselves and introduced himself. Chair Lemon requested a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Mr. Pollard so moved and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the September 15, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer made the motion and Ms. Jorjani seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon introduced Director Langan.

# **Director's Report:**

Director Langan welcomed everyone to the meeting and encouraged them to view the exhibits at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture, which is hosting today's meeting. She noted that Andrew Tarne and Wes Morgan from the Office of the Attorney General are attending today. She introduced Amanda Terrell, Director of the Community Services Division, to the boards. Director Langan noted other personnel changes at DHR, including the current recruitment processes to fill the Executive Assistant and Tribal Outreach Coordinator positions. She said that the current administration will issue its biennial budget a week from today. DHR has requested approval for creation of a small number of new positions but do not yet know if any will be approved. DHR is monitoring legislation that will clarify the types of projects eligible for the recently created BIPOC fund; an error in the legislation approved during the last session of the General Assembly will be corrected. Director Langan noted that the March 2023 joint meeting of the Boards will take place at Maymont in Richmond. Locations for the June and September 2023 meetings are still being considered. By March 2023, DHR plans to debut a new website design. She noted that an article that appeared on the Virginia Mercury website featured DHR staff members Joanna Green and Elizabeth Moore and their work with caring for human remains held at DHR. She said that she and SRB member Carol Shull have been invited to a ribbon cutting for reopening of the nationally significant Warm Springs Pools in Bath County. She concluded by explaining that the Boards will break for a lunch and that the VMHC has a cafe available for guests as well. After lunch, the BHR will reconvene in Halsey Hall while the SRB will convene in the Collections Study Room at DHR's main office.

Director Langan introduced a Virtual Meeting Attendance Policy to the Boards. The policy will allow Board members to attend meetings online. It is more flexible than the virtual attendance requirements in each board's bylaws but does not conflict with the bylaws. Chair Lemon requested a motion for the BHR to approve the policy as presented. Vice-Chair Harris so moved and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The BHR voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the policy as presented. Ms. Shull so moved and Mr. Rutledge seconded. The SRB voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Langan introduced DHR's Writing Style Sheet to the Boards. She explained that the style sheet is used for state historical highway markers and Register nominations. The Boards are being asked to adopt the style sheet as part of their policies. She invited questions from the Boards. Dr. Fairfax asked if the terms "Black" and "White" also can be included in the style sheet. Ms. McDonald explained that DHR now capitalizes each term but she has not updated the style sheet accordingly. Chair Mullen noted that the writing style sheet should be shared with

consultants who work on other projects beyond nominations and highway markers. DHR makes the writing style sheet available on its website. Vice-Chair Harris asked if the style sheet includes the term "LGBTQ" or "LGBTQIA+" and Ms. McDonald said no, but that "LGBTQ" has been used at DHR since 2015. Chair Lemon requested a motion from the BHR to approve the style sheet as presented with the addition of the style preferences for the terms "Black," "White," and "LGBTQ" or "LGBTQIA+." Mr. Pollard so moved and Dr. Fairfax seconded. The BHR voted unanimously to approve the style sheet with the terms to be added as stated in the motion. Chair Mullen requested a motion from the SRB to approve the style sheet as presented with the additions of the terms "Black," "White," and "LGBTQ" or "LBTQIA+." Dr. Smith so moved and Dr. Klee seconded. The SRB voted unanimously to approve the style sheet with the terms to be added as stated in the SRB voted unanimously to approve the style sheet with the terms to be added.

# **Public Comment**

Chair Lemon introduced the public comment period. Mr. Wright of Loudoun County thanked Ms. Von Lindern for her assistance with preparation of the nomination for Union Street School, which is owned by Loudoun County. Mr. Mark Reed spoke with regard to the nomination for the Woodhurst Neighborhood Historic District. He explained the community engagement process that was part of the project and thanked property owners in the district for their active involvement to support the nomination. He thanked nomination author Debra McClane for her work and thanked the Virginia Beach Historic Preservation Commission, which provided funds for the project. The nomination contributes to the City of Virginia Beach's priorities for recognizing historic properties from the more recent past and under-represented communities. Mr. Squire spoke about the Walnut Hill Historic District and his work to gather support among property owners for the nomination He also spoke about the City of Petersburg's blight improvement program and in support of preservation of the house of Rev. Wyatt T. Walker, a nationally important civil rights leader, in Petersburg.

Chair Lemon noted that the public comment period is concluded. The Boards agreed to take a break at 10:47 a.m.

The Board meeting resumed at 10:57 a.m.

# NOMINATIONS

Chair Lemon asked if any of the BHR members have a conflict of interest concerning any of the nominations slated for presentation today. Mr. Pollard said that he has a personal conflict of interest with regard to the nomination for Walnut Hill Historic District. Mr. Pollard will abstain from voting on this nomination.

Chair Mullen asked if any of the SRB members have a conflict of interest concerning any of the nominations slated for presentation today. None were identified.

Mr. Wagner and Ms. McKnight presented nominations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 as a block.

## **Eastern Region**

- 1. ^ Crewe Commercial Historic District, Town of Crewe, Nottoway County, DHR No. 203-0048, Criteria A and C
- 2. A Julius Rosenwald High School, Northampton County, DHR No. 066-0075, Criteria A and C
- 3.  $\Delta$ , ^ Keysville Historic District, Town of Keysville, Charlotte County, Criteria A and C
- 4. A Rotherwood, Southampton County, DHR No. 087-0045, Criteria A, C, and D
- 5. \*\* Walnut Hill Historic District, City of Petersburg, DHR No. 123-5505, Criteria A and C
- 6. }, \*\* Woodhurst Neighborhood Historic District, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5874, Criteria A and C

# Comment Summary:

The Julius Rosenwald High School was discussed as one of the largest of the Rosenwald school designs. Its design slightly predates the standardized Rosenwald School plans that began to be promulgated in 1915. A couple of

larger brick Rosenwald schools have been identified in central Virginia, but the Julius Rosenwald High School is the largest frame example identified to date in Virginia.

The African American neighborhood in the Keysville Historic District was discussed. The area historically did not have a name based on research to date. The enclave was within the Town limits from its establishment.

Some bricks salvaged from demolished buildings during construction of the Bay Bridge Tunnel were used on the dwellings in the Woodhurst Neighborhood Historic District. The demolished buildings were in an African American community that was removed to make way for the Bridge Tunnel project.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Vice Chair Harris seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nominations 1,2, 3, 4, and 6 as presented. Chair Lemon requested a motion to approve ERPO nomination 5 as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Dr. Fairfax seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nomination 5 as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Dr. Fairfax seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nomination 5 as presented, with Mr. Pollard abstaining.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from the SRB members. None were made. He requested a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1,2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 as presented. Vice-Chair Allen so moved and Mr. Rutledge seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nominations 1,2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 as presented.

Ms. Aubrey Von Lindern presented the following nominations as a block.

# Northern Region

- 1. **\*\*** St. Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery, City of Alexandria, DHR No. 100-0143, Criterion C and Criteria Considerations A and D
- 2.  $\Delta$ , \*\*\*Union Street School, Town of Leesburg, Loudoun County, DHR No. 253-5117, Criteria A and C

# Comment Summary:

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery was noted as being part of a larger complex of privately and publicly owned cemeteries that were established in Alexandria during the 19<sup>th</sup> century following passage of a local ordinance that regulated placement of burials. Civil rights attorney Charles Hamilton Houston's name will be corrected in the nomination for Union Street School to include his full name. The school is planned to be rehabilitated for use in Loudoun County's curator resident program. Work by the History Matters firm is referenced in the nomination form, particularly oral history interviews that were recorded.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from the SRB members. None were made.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 2 as presented. Ms. Jorjani so moved and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 2 as presented

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 2 as presented. Mr. Rutledge so moved and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 2 as presented.

Mr. Michael Pulice presented the following nominations as a block.

## Western Region

1. \*\* Boude-Deaver House, City of Lexington, DHR No. 117-0027-0279, Criterion C

- 2. \*\* Colony House Motor Lodge, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-6477, Criteria A and C
- 3. Gravel Hill Christian Church, Craig County, DHR No. 022-5048, Criterion C and Criteria Consideration A

Comment Summary:

The boards noted that the Boude-Deaver House is within a Register-listed historic district.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented. Vice-Chair Harris made the motion and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented. Dr. Breen so moved and Dr. Klee seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented.

Director Langan directed the boards to DHR's office for lunch. She reminded the board members to sign and return their travel vouchers. DHR staff will escort BHR members back to VMHC for their afternoon session.

The BHR agreed to reconvene at 12:45 p.m. following a lunch break. Chair Lemon asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Vice-Chair Harris made the motion and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

The SRB agreed to reconvene at 1:00 p.m. Chair Mullen asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Mr. Rutledge so moved and Dr. Smith 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: 6 Structures: 0 Sites: 1 Objects: 0 MPDs: 0

## BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

## **Board of Historic Resources Members Present:**

W. Tucker Lemon, Chair Jeffrey "Free" A. Harris, Vice Chair Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax Aimee K. Jorjani Karice Luck-Brimmer Trip Pollard [one seat vacant]

#### Department of Historic Resources (DHR) Staff Present:

Julie Langan, Director Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director Kyle Edwards Elizabeth Lipford Dr. Jennifer Loux Brad McDonald Megan Melinat Karri Richardson Tim Roberts Jolene Smith Amanda Terrell

# **Board of Historic Resources Members Absent:** [none]

# **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General Wesley Morgan, Office of the Attorney General

# **Guests Registered in Webex:**

Rick Bodson Kristie Baynard Lisa Davidson Kayla Halberg Mary Jackson Jenee Linder Brook O'Malley Paris Swain Sophie Taylor Jerry Teplitz Allison Thomas M. K. Veney

Guests Present from Attendees List at Meeting: Mark Reed, Preservation Planner, Virginia Beach

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lemon called the meeting to order at 12:47 p.m. Chair Lemon requested a roll call of the Board members.

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

Chair Lemon reminded everyone that this is a public meeting that is being streamed online. The online feed is being recorded. Chair Lemon thanked the Virginia Museum of History and Culture for hosting this meeting and stated that masks are currently optional for visitors to the museum.

# HIGHWAY MARKERS

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following four (4) Diversity Markers as a block.

# <u> Sponsor Markers – Diversity</u>

- Flights to Freedom Sponsor: Mathews County Historical Society, Inc. Locality: Mathews County Proposed Location: 9654 Buckley Hall Road
- 2.) Emancipated Community at Chimborazo Hill Sponsor: 1708 Gallery Locality: City of Richmond Proposed Location: 3125 East Broad St.

3.) Gainsboro Branch Library Sponsor: Nelson Harris Locality: City of Roanoke Proposed Location: 15 Patton Avenue NW

#### 4.) Christian Home School Sponsor: The Smithfield Museum Foundation Locality: Isle of Wight County Proposed Location: 516 Main Street, Smithfield

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members confirmed the location of the Christian Home School highway marker in Smithfield and discussed the importance of the early twentieth century African American library movement as it relates to the Gainsboro Branch Library. Board members also noted the importance of the Flights to Freedom marker as it commemorates the rare history of slaves who escaped via Virginia's waterways.

With a motion to approve Diversity Markers #1-#4 by Ms. Jorjani and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following Sponsor Marker.

## Sponsor Markers

 Ferrum Sponsor: Blue Ridge Institute and Museum Locality: Franklin County Proposed Location: Route 40 near intersection with Fieldcrest Road

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members noted the Blue Ridge Institute and Museum classes and festivals that take place at Ferrum College.

With a motion to approve Sponsor #1 by Vice Chair Harris and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following two (2) DHR-Funded Markers as a block.

## **DHR-Funded Markers**

1.) Woodland Cemetery Sponsor: DHR Locality: City of Richmond Proposed Location: 2300 Magnolia Road

# 2.) Edna Lewis (1916-2006) Sponsor: DHR Locality: Orange County Proposed Location: 14311 Marquis Road, Unionville

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members confirmed the location of Woodland Cemetery in relation to the African American Burying Ground and confirmed the location of the Edna Lewis marker in Orange County.

With a motion to approve DHR-Funded Markers #1-#2 by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Vice Chair Harris, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following four (4) Replacement Markers as a block.

# **Replacement Markers**

- Fredericksburg Gun Manufactory N-7
   Sponsor: DHR
   Locality: City of Fredericksburg
   Proposed Location: Clarke Street, just north of the intersection with Ferdinand Street
- 2.) Battle of Great Bridge KY-5
   Sponsor: DHR
   Locality: City of Chesapeake
   Proposed Location: S. Battlefield Blvd., just south of bridge over Elizabeth River

## 3.) Highland FL-8

**Sponsor:** VDOT **Locality:** Albemarle County **Proposed Location:** James Monroe Parkway (Rt. 795), 0.8 miles south of the intersection with Thomas Jefferson Parkway (Rt. 53)

#### 4.) Florence Graded School K-271 Sponsor: DHR Locality: City of Suffolk Proposed Location: 4540 Nansemond Parkway

Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve Replacement Markers #1-#4 by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Dr. Fairfax, all voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux asked for approval of applications #1-#5, and designation of #6-7 as alternates, from the twelve (12) Applications Recommended for Advancement to the March Board Cycle:

# Applications Under Consideration For March Board Cycle

- 1.) Virginia Western Community College
- 2.) King Kiscutanewh's Trade Agreement
- 3.) Key Road School
- 4.) Lexington and the Negro Motorist Green Book
- 5.) Sunnyside School
- 6.) James Paw Paw
- 7.) Mahone's Tavern
- 8.) Dupuy Road Elementary
- 9.) Richmond's First Black Bus Drivers
- 10.) Marion—Home of Mountain Dew
- 11.) The Rev. Charles Clay Family Cemetery
- 12.) Charles Browne Fleet (1843-1916)

Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve March Board Cycle Applications #1-#5 and Alternate Applications #6 and #7 by Mr. Pollard and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all voted in the affirmative.

# <u>Virginia Beach Local Marker Program</u>

Dr. Loux presented information on the Virginia Beach Local Marker Program. The City of Virginia Beach received approval from the Board in 2015 for the design of their new local markers. However, no markers were produced. Virginia Beach is trying to increase interest in the program by introducing a new marker design. Virginia Beach is requesting that the Board approve a new design which includes a dark blue ground with gold lettering and the seal of the City of Virginia Beach.

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members questioned the size of the proposed markers and Mr. Mark Reed, Preservation Planner for the City of Virginia Beach, provided measurements of 32" x 40", which is smaller than the Virginia highway markers. Board members also questioned why Virginia Beach is using the Maryland marker design as its template. Mr. Reed stated that existing marker templates must be used for new marker programs and the foundry is prohibited from using the Virginia marker template for other marker programs in Virginia. Dr. Loux confirmed that DHR staff is comfortable with the use of the Maryland template in Virginia Beach.

With a motion to approve the Virginia Beach Local Marker design by Ms. Jorjani and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all voted in the affirmative.

# **Highway Marker Production Status**

Dr. Loux presented an update on highway marker production. Currently there are 29 markers on order with an additional six (6) markers that are eligible to order. VDOT is in the process of approving locations for an additional 22 markers. The total number of markers currently waiting to be manufactured and delivered is 57 plus the 11 markers approved at the current Board Meeting.

In last five months, only seven (7) markers were delivered and installed, and three marker proofs were submitted to DHR for review. The delay in manufacturing is due to the current workload of the foundry (it serves 44 other states) as well as a rise in expenses and materials and a decline in employee retention.

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members discussed foundry mistakes that they had witnessed at recent marker dedications. Dr. Loux acknowledged that mistakes have happened in the last few years and this is likely due to employee turnover at the foundry. Dr. Loux also confirmed that marker sponsors and applicants are told about the foundry delays and noted that is possible for sponsors to obtain life size foam-core mock-ups of markers if needed. The Marker portion of the agenda ended at 1:22 p.m.

# **BURIAL PERMITS**

Joanna Wilson Green gave a brief presentation on burial permits:

Between September 15 and December 8, DHR issued five (5) permits on behalf of the Board:

- Four (4) anticipatory, as no purposeful disturbance of human remains was proposed.
- One (1) recovery, to accommodate the relocation of a family cemetery (issued in consultation with descendants and following public notification).
- One (1) permit was extended to accommodate project complications.
- Three (3) projects were closed following completion of permit conditions.
- 27 projects remain open.

For calendar year 2022, fifteen (15) anticipatory permits and three recovery permits were issued. Eleven (11) permit extensions were issued and fourteen (14) projects were closed.

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members noted the ongoing work at Historic Christ Church in Lancaster and asked if any graves had been disturbed as a result of this project. Ms. Wilson Green stated that this long-term project was intended to alleviate rising damp in the church by drawing water away from the church foundation. However, the graves surrounding the church are largely unmarked. Archaeologists have only found one grave that had to be moved to accommodate the drainage lines (these remains will be relocated to an open spot in the church cemetery). Board members asked how DHR determines if remains must be moved. Ms. Wilson Green stated that DHR relies on the professional opinions of engineers and archaeologists when determining if remains must be relocated.

The Burial Permits portion of the agenda ended at 1:27 p.m.

# **EASEMENTS**

# **Policy Updates:**

Ms. Melinat presented the following Easement Program Policy updates:

- 1. Historic Preservation Easement Program Policy #2: Criteria for Acceptance of Easements
- 2. Historic Preservation Easement Program Policy #5: Review of Applications for Work on Easement Properties

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Ms. Melinat confirmed that Policy #5 is a simplification of the review process, it will not change how DHR reviews work applications.

With a motion to approve the updates to Easement Program Policies #2 and #5 by Dr. Fairfax and a second from Vice Chair Harris, all voted in the affirmative.

# **New Easement Offer for Consideration**

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

 Mauller Tract, Second Manassas Battlefield, Prince William County Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust Offer for ±3.1121 acres Grant Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Land Conservation Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Mauller Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Demolition of the existing non-historic buildings and structures and rehabilitation of the battlefield landscape shall be completed within five years from the date of easement recordation. Such rehabilitation of the battlefield landscape shall be conducted according to a written rehabilitation management plan negotiated by DHR and the 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.

Board Comments Summary: None

With a motion to approve the New Easement Offer by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Vice Chair Harris, all members voted in the affirmative.

# **Easement Offers for Reconsideration**

Mr. Edwards presented the following easement offers for reconsideration:

 Star Fort II, Opequon (Third Winchester) Battlefield, Frederick County Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation Offer for ±10.168 acres Grant Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the Star Fort II easement offer, subject to the following revised conditions:

1. 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: None

With a motion to approve the Easement Offer for Reconsideration by Vice Chair Harris and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all voted in the affirmative.

#### New Easements Recorded Since the September 2022 BHR Meeting

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

- King's Highway Heritage Park, Washington and Rochambeau Route, Prince William County Easement Donor: Board of County Supervisors of Prince William County, Virginia Acreage: ±1.4778 acres Recorded September 16, 2022
- Sandy Ridge Tract, First Kernstown Battlefield, Frederick County Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust Acreage: ±37.447 acres Recorded October 28, 2022
- 3. Cline Tract, Piedmont Battlefield, Augusta County Easement Donor: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation Acreage: ±3.26 acres Recorded November 9, 2022

Board Comments Summary: Board members asked if the Sandy Ridge is considered a large easement. Mr. Edwards states that it is a mid-size easement at about 37 acres.

With a motion to adjourn by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Dr. Fairfax, all voted in the affirmative.

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

## **STATE REVIEW BOARD**

At Gallery 1828 at the Blackburn Inn and Conference Center, 106 Village Avenue, Staunton, VA 24401

# **State Review Board Members Present**

Chair John Mullen Dr. Eleanor Breen Jeffrey E. Klee Greg Rutledge Carol Shull Dr. Larissa M Smith

# **State Review Board Members Absent**

Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen

#### **Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Julie Langan Amanda Terrell Lena McDonald Joanna McKnight Michael Pulice Aubrey Von Lindern Marc Wagner LaToya Gray-Sparks

Other State Agency Staff Present: none

<u>Guests (from attendees list in Webex and sign-in sheets)</u>: Patricia Bozeman (Woodland Cemetery); Jane Covington (Asbury Methodist Church); Gabriel Cristofari (Laurel Hill Farm); Lisa Davidson (Bank of Potomac/ Executive Office and Governor's Residence of the Restored Government of Virginia); Kelly Dotson (Criglersville HD); Tim Kerr (Bank of Potomac/ Executive Office and Governor's Residence of the Restored Government of Virginia)

Chair Mullen called the meeting to order at 12:58 p.m. for discussion and consideration of the Preliminary Information Forms (informal guidance session).

The following Preliminary Information Forms were *endorsed* by acclimation, unless otherwise noted, with the following comments. <u>Note that the order below follows the agenda, not the order as presented during the meeting</u>: Preliminary Information Forms for which guests were present at the meeting were presented first. The Board approved Preliminary Information Forms by voice vote.

## Western Region.....presented by Michael Pulice

- \*\* Blue Hills Farm, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-5980, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 2. Cason's Farm, Rockbridge County, DHR No. 081-1152, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- Ivy Cliff, Bedford County, DHR No. 009-0010, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB's discussion included a recommendation for a dendrochronology study on the property's slave

dwelling, the potential purpose of the brick wall adjoining the main house, and whether the sites of another five slave dwellings known to have existed at Ivy Cliff might be within the 17-acre evaluated parcel. Dendrochronology is not required for a nomination to proceed. Further research may shed light on the brick wall and locations of additional slave dwellings.

- 4. Paxton, Samuel, House, Rockbridge County, DHR No. 081-0307, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility without comment.
- 5. % Rehabilitation Building, Smyth County, DHR No. 119-5006-0004, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB recommended that the applicant make inquiries about the original name of the building when it was constructed for tuberculosis treatment, and that the official historic name be used in a nomination.

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

- Δ, \*\* Asbury Methodist Church, Town of Middleburg, Loudoun County, DHR No. 259-0162-0011, Criteria A and C and Criteria Consideration A The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 2. \*\* Bank of Potomac/ Executive Office and Governor's Residence of the Restored Government of Virginia, City of Alexandria, DHR No. 100-0005, Criteria A and C The board approved the PIF and concurred with the resource's Register eligibility under Criterion A at the national level for Politics/Government. The board also agreed with the resource's eligibility under Criterion C, Architecture, at the local level but suggested that because the building was constructed as an early bank, perhaps it could be listed at the state or national level. It was also suggested that tax records be explored to perhaps determine the building's historic uses and its evolution. The building lot's archaeological potential also was noted.
- 3. Criglersville Historic District, Madison County, DHR No. 056-5015, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility with no comments.
- 4. \*\* Dobbins Farm, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-6520, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB recommended the nomination explore the construction details more closely and the evolution of the building and confirm the ca. 1790 construction date.
- Folly Mills, Augusta County, DHR No. 007-0911, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 6. \*\* Laurel Hill Farm, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-6244, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 7. New Market Battlefield Historic District, Shenandoah and Rockingham counties, DHR No. 269-5001, Criterion A

The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB requested additional information be added to any nomination that justifies the new boundaries as proposed by the applicant since they slightly differ from the boundaries set by the American Battlefield Protection Program and the Civil War Sites Advisory Commission.

8. \*\* Potts, Edward Dowling, House, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-0910, Criterion C

The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB recommended additional information be included regarding the 20<sup>th</sup> century renovation under the Price family's ownership.

9. \*\* Tops Cleaners, Arlington County, DHR No. 000-4820, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility. The SRB recommended searching for historic photos of the building to determine what, if any changes were made to the exterior of the building.

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- \*\* Minor House, City of Charlottesville, DHR No. 104-5951, Criterion C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- Δ Samuel D. Outlaw Blacksmith Shop, Town of Onancock, Accomack County, DHR No. 273-0014, Criteria A and C The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 3. White Marsh, Gloucester County, DHR No. 036-0052, Criterion C The board asked if architect Paul Buchanan's papers can be checked for drawings of the 1960s work on the house. The drawings have not yet been found but research continues. The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.
- 4. Δ Woodland Cemetery, Henrico County, DHR No. 043-0742, Criteria A, C, and D The board unanimously approved the PIF and concurred with the recommendation of Register eligibility.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to adjourn. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Mr. Klee seconded. The SRB meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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- \*\* Certified Local Government
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- $\Delta$  Associated with African American History
- # Associated with Virginia Indian History
- ^ ESHPF Grant-Funded Project
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- > National Park Service Grant-Funded Project