

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



July 26, 2005

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Cardwell called the meeting of the Volusia County Historic Preservation Board to order at 3:30 PM on July 26, 2005 at the S.E. Volusia Historical Society, 120 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, Fl.

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call the following Members answered present to wit:

Priscilla Cardwell, **Chair**
Judy Burrows,
Barbara Herrin
Riley Nutt
Warren Graham

MEMBER(S) ABSENT:

Maureen Kemp, Bruce Piatek, John Wagner

Chair Cardwell declared a quorum was present.

STAFF PRESENT:

Tom Scofield, Historic Preservation Planner
Nancy Maddox, Staff Liaison
Mike Fincher, Cultural Coordinator/Recording Secretary
Mary Brennan, Assistant County Attorney

GUEST(S) PRESENT:

Bobbie Bryant – Volusia County (Career Development)
Jeaniene Jennings - Volusia County (Career Development)
Dusty Lembrich - Volusia County (Career Development)
Donnadine Miller
Dot Moore
Virginia Stowell
Pam Lefils

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Member Nutt made a **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of May 24, 2005 Special Meeting as presented. Chair Cardwell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None Advertised

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update on New Smyrna Video Project – Donnadine Miller advised that the project had received \$25,000 from the Department of Historic Resources, but that they received no funding from the Volusia County Cultural Grant Program due to lack of a certified financial audit. As a result, the project is currently short by \$6,000-\$7,000. The \$5,000 that is in the proposed FY 2005-06 HPB budget will help make up a lot of this if it is approved. Work continues on developing a Request for Proposal. Plans are to proceed with the program and continue to seek funding as required. Mr. Scofield advised that if the HPB recommended budget makes it through the County Managers Workshop and is approved by County Council, all that the S.E. Volusia Historical Society has to do is submit an invoice anytime after October 1, 2005 in order to receive the funds.
- B. Update on Turnbull Colony Exhibit – Judy Burrows advised that the S.E. Volusia Historical Society had received a Special Category Grant from the State in the amount of \$250,000 for this project and that they were currently in the process of sending out RFQ's to approximately nine design companies for quotes which they will short list to two to three. The City of New Smyrna has agreed to assist with the project and will administer the funding as they did for the Historical Society building.
- C. Osteen Historic Marker – Mr. Scofield introduced Ms. Stowell and Ms. LeFils who had previously made a request of the HPB back in 2002 for assistance in relocating and revising a marker that was moved by the City of Deltona after the Saul's house burned down. The marker was moved to the Osteen Cemetery but still references the house site. The family wants to keep the monument where it is, but they want it recast to be relevant to the present location. Ms. Brennan, Staff Counsel, to check on whether the marker was legally moved and if not to identify who may have responsibility to assist with this request. This will be brought back up at the next meeting in September.
- D. Rio Vista Subdivision Gate – A committee has been formed with Jonas Stewart of Volusia County, Road & Bridge and representatives of the cities of Ormond Beach and Holly Hill to discuss what needs to be done to stabilize this ruin. It appears that a large part of the ruin is on County Property. They would like the HPB to appoint a member to serve on this Committee. Warren Graham volunteered to serve. Chair Cardwell appointed him. First meeting will take place in September.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Kings Highway Historic Marker- Donnadine Miller, representing the New Smyrna Historic Preservation Committee said that they were interested in installing some new, more visible markers for the Old Kings Road, and in fact had a donor to pay for several markers. One of the locations, on the N.W. corner of Williams and Pioneer Trail, is on County property. They want to know what is needed. Ms. Brennan advised that they need to apply for a use permit. Ms. Miller also inquired about whether there are any standards for these markers. Mr. Scofield said the State standard was used for several sites although it is a fairly large and expensive marker.

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Chair Cardwell recommended that Ms. Miller contact Harold Cardwell, who has been working on this project for several areas and should be able to help.

- B. Request from Ormond Beach Historical Trust for Increase in Funding – Nancy Maddox presented a request from Ormond Beach Historical Trust to increase their funding by an additional \$2,500 for additional school bus tours. This request came in after the budget was already approved and therefore does not accommodate this increase. In addition, they did receive a substantial increase in their Community Cultural Grant funding which can be used for this purpose. Consensus was to have Tom Scofield prepare a letter advising them that the Board did discuss their request but cannot approve any additional funding for this coming year.
- C. Endangered Historic Properties List for ECHO – The ECHO Board has asked that the HPB provide them with a list of properties that might be candidates for acquisition with ECHO funds. This fits in with one of the agreed upon Board goals for this year. Tom Scofield provided a draft list of eleven (11) potential sites and asked the Board to review these and add to it if appropriate. Criteria for inclusion should be: (1) the property should have some significance architecturally or historically, though it does not necessarily have to be on the National Registry. (2) It must be endangered and, (3) it must serve some form of public use or purpose. Numerous ideas were discussed and Tom requested that he receive all additional recommendations prior to the next meeting so that he can finalize and submit to ECHO for their funding plans.

Member Items – Chair Cardwell asked about the Sugar Mill roof at the Botanical Gardens. Tom Scofield advised that the contractor has provided a design that will be presented to the Port Orange Building Department. It meets Hurricane Category One standards. The bricks will be covered even though the design doesn't provide a complete opaque roof over the entire area.

Staff Items – Tom Scofield advised that the old Reed Hughes property (proposed Wal-Mart site) along S.R. 44 is being considered as a potential Volusia Forever acquisition and would be treated as having historical importance. A committee is working on this and additional information should be forthcoming soon.

PRESS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

Dot Moore asked about progress regarding efforts to get one of the State Archeological Research Centers located in Volusia. Nancy Maddox advised that Dr. Bense has selected three initial sites, but is still interested in Volusia for future locations. Since one of the three original sites selected by the State is in St. Augustine, any potential Volusia site will need to be further toward the south and west areas of the County. Tom Scofield is working with Bruce Piatek on this and they have identified a couple of potential locations including the Kaye property in Spruce Creek preserve. There was money put in the budget to help seed this project if further potential develops.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business of the Board, Chair Cardwell adjourned the meeting at 4:40 PM.

Date

Chair

Secretary