Approved Minutes

JOINT MEETING

STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

9:00 a.m. September 15, 2022

The Great Hall at the Blackburn Inn and Conference Center, 106 Village Avenue, Staunton, VA 24401

State Review Board Members Present

Historic Resources Board Members Present

John Mullen, Chair W. Tucker Lemon, Chair

Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen Aimee Joriani

Dr. Eleanor Breen Karice Luck-Brimmer

Jeffrey E. Klee Trip Pollard

Greg Rutledge Carol Shull

Dr. Larissa M. Smith Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax (attending online)

State Review Board Members Absent

Historic Resources Board Members Absent

Jeffrey "Free" A. Harris, Vice-Chair None.

Department of Historic Resources Staff Present

Julie Langan, Director Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director

Jennifer Pullen Brad McDonald Megan Melinat Lena McDonald Aubrey Von Lindern Marc Wagner Joanna McKnight Michael Pulice Brendan Burke Dr. Jennifer Loux

Kyle Edwards LaToya Gray (attending online)

Other State Agency Staff Present:

Jennifer Walle, Deputy Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources; Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General (attending online)

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

Jody Lahendro Debra McClane Peggy Crosson Jim Johnston Laura Purvis Lisa Winn Bryan April Martin Beth Nelsen Sonja Ingram Tyler Parker Michael Esposito Sally Thomas

Wendy Wheatcraft

Board of Historic Resources (BHR)

Chair Lemon called the Board of Historic Resources to order at 9:01 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of BHR members to establish the presence of a quorum: Chair Lemon, Ms. Aimee Jorjani, Mr. Pollard, and Ms. Luck-Brimmer are present. Chair Lemon noted that Dr. Fairfax is attending the meeting online in accordance with Article VI Section G of the BHR's Bylaws. Chair Lemon asked if any Board members object to Dr. Nichols Fairfax attending online. None were made. Chair Lemon read the land acknowledgement statement. Chair Lemon explained the purpose and duties of the BHR. He invited BHR members to introduce themselves and introduced himself. He 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 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 noted that today's meeting marks a return to the pre-pandemic practice of voting by voice instead of by roll call.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the June 16, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer made the motion and Mr. Pollard seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative..

Chair Lemon noted that elections of the BHR's officers are needed and he requested a motion to nominate a Chair and Vice-Chair for the BHR. Mr. Pollard made a motion to nominate Chair Lemon to continue serving as Chair and for Dr. Fairfax to serve as Vice-Chair. Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded the motion. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

State Review Board (SRB)

At 9:09 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 explained the purpose and duties of the SRB and the process of Register designation. Each SRB member introduced themselves. 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. Smith so moved and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the June 16, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Dr. Breen so moved and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. Board voted unanimously.

Chair Lemon introduced Jennifer Walle, Deputy Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources. Ms. Walle provided a summary of her work on behalf of the Secretariat. She thanked all of the Board members for their voluntary service on the Boards. Deputy Secretary Walle announced that Julie Langan has been reappointed to serve as State Historic Preservation Officer and Director of the Department of Historic Resources.

Chair Lemon read a resolution concerning Dr. Ashley Atkins-Spivey that recognizes her service on the BHR from 2014-2022 and her professional work in historic preservation, archaeology, education, and history. Chair Lemon read a resolution concerning David Ruth that recognizes his service on the BHR from 2018-2022 and his professional work in history and historic preservation and his role as superintendent of the Richmond National Battlefield Park. Chair Lemon also showed the audience the commemorative highway marker that Dr. Atkins-Spivey and Mr. Ruth will receive..

Chair Lemon requested a motion for approval of the resolutions as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Vice-Chair Fairfax seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon introduced Director Langan.

Director's Report:

Director Langan thanked everyone for participating in today's meeting and principal Robin Miller of the Blackburn Inn for hosting the meeting. She noted that the property is a historic district and is protected by a perpetual conservation easement held by the BHR. She explained that state and federal historic tax credits have been utilized to rehabilitate the buildings and that DHR is providing technical assistance for preservation of a historic cemetery on the property. Director Langan said that senior staff already are preparing for the next session of the General Assembly and is planning future budget requests. She noted that DHR and other state agencies have been challenged by staff turnover that makes it difficult to maintain continuity. She noted that David Edwards retired after 44 years of service at DHR. A new Community Services Division director, Amanda Terrell, begins work at DHR at the end of September 2022. Director Langan announced that DHR has received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to design a space that is appropriate for maintenance and care of historic human remains in DHR's custody. She said that DHR is applying for a National Maritime Heritage grant and received funding from the American 250th anniversary grant program for work at Clermont Farm in Clarke County. Director Langan said that the Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund applications are now being reviewed.

Community outreach and engagement at DHR continues. The second year of DHR's internship program with HBCUs has begun. An inaugural year of tribal interns also is being launched with applications currently being reviewed. DHR is in its second year of administering grants for African American historical projects and its first year of grant applications for tribal history projects. DHR currently is recruiting to fill a new position for tribal outreach. The December 2022 Board meeting will be in Richmond, Virginia. She noted that the Boards will be asked to consider approving a writing style sheet and asked the Boards to review and comment on this document over the next three months. She invited the Board members to suggest venues for next year's meetings.

Director Langan next read a resolution that recognizes David Edwards for his 44-year career at DHR and summarizes his contributions to historic preservation, architectural history, and history.

Chair Lemon requested a motion for approval of the resolutions as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Vice-Chair Fairfax seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mr. Klee so moved and Dr, Snith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Director Langan introduced DHR Underwater Archaeologist Brendan Burke. Mr. Burke provided an update about the Underwater Archaeology Program. Mr. Burke provided the Board members with an overview of the purpose and activities of the program, including cooperative projects with other state agencies and launch of a new underwater exploration permit program that includes DHR and other state agencies with purview over underwater lands. Mr. Burke summarized several recent projects to document submerged cultural resources, including work with Virginia Indian tribes, testing of drone technology to facilitate surveys, and training workshops for people interested in underwater archaeology. He concluded with a special project he assisted with to salvage a finial from Richmond's Old City Hall, restore it, and place it on display at DHR's Richmond headquarters.

2023 Meeting Schedule

Chair Lemon presented the proposed 2023 joint Boards meeting schedule: March 15, 2023 (Boards training); March 16, 2023; June 15, 2023; September 21, 2023; and December 14, 2023.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the 2023 meeting schedule as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer made the motion and Ms. Jorjani seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the 2023 meeting schedule as presented. Vice-Chair Allen so moved and Ms. Shull. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

At 10:08 a.m., Chair Lemon introduced the Public Comment period and read aloud the Statement Regarding Public Participation at Virginia BHR Meetings.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

Mr. Tyler Parker spoke about his research on Black history in Virginia and several notable individuals.

Ms. Debra McClane commented on the nomination for the Blue Marlin Lodge and recognized advice and guidance that David Edwards provided over many years.

Chair Lemon thanked everyone who spoke during the public comment period.

The Boards took a break beginning at 10:25 a.m.

The Board meeting resumed at 10:33 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. None were identified.

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.

Eastern Region

- 1. }, **Blue Marlin Lodge, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5398, Criteria A and C
- 2. }, **Crest Kitchenette Motel, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5866, Criteria A and C
- 3. Δ , #,**Jarratt House, City of Petersburg, DHR No. 123-0114-0002, Criteria A and C
- 4. South Garden, New Kent County, DHR No. 063-0031, Criterion C

Comment Summary:

Mr. Wagner presented nominations 1 and 3 and Ms. McKnight presented nominations 2 and 4.

The Jarratt House's historic association with a nearby property and its archaeological potential were briefly discussed.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the ERPO nominations 1, 2, 3, and 4. Ms. Luck-Brimmer so moved and Ms. Jorjani seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nominations 1,2, 3, and 4 as presented.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from the SRB members. None were made. He requested a motion to approve the ERPO nominations 1,2, 3, and 4 as presented. Mr. Klee so moved and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve nominations 1,2, 3, and 4 as presented.

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

Northern Region

- 1. **Goodloe House, City of Staunton, DHR No. 132-5028, Criterion C
- 2. Δ, ***African American Resources in Fauquier County, Virginia, 1865-1973+/-, Fauquier County, DHR No. 030-5932
- 3. Δ , ***Silver Hill Baptist Church and School, Fauquier County, DHR No. 030-5180, Criterion A

Comment Summary:

Chair Lemon invited questions and comments from the BHR members. None were made.

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 3 and the item 2 MPD as presented. Mr. Pollard so moved and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 3 and the item 2 MPD as presented

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 3 and the item 2 MPD as presented. Mr. Rutledge so moved and Dr. Breen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Northern Region nominations 1 and 3 and the item 2 MPD as presented.

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

Western Region

- 1. Δ, } Blue Ridge Tunnel, Nelson County, DHR No. 062-5105, Criteria A, B, and C
- 2. ^ Martinsville Historic District 2022 Update, City of Martinsville, DHR No. 120-5001, Criteria A and C
- 3. ^ Martinsville Historic District 2022 Boundary Increase, City of Martinsville, DHR No. 120-5098, Criteria A and C

Comment Summary:

Community outreach for the Martinsville Historic District nominations was discussed. Mr. Pulice explained how the outreach was conducted, including meetings with property owners, community residents, and local officials. The potential for increasing heritage tourism to Martinsville through its historic preservation program also was briefly mentioned.

Chair Lemon invited questions and comments from BHR members.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from SRB members.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented. Ms. Luck-Brimmer made the motion and Ms. Jorjani 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. Smith so moved and Mr. Klee seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations 1, 2, and 3 as presented.

The Boards agreed to reconvene at 12:45 following a lunch break. Chair Lemon asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Mr. Pollard made the motion and Ms. Jorjani seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

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

The joint meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Register Summary of Resources Listed: Historic Districts: 2

Buildings: 6 Structures: 1 Sites: 0 Objects: 0 MPDs: 1

BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

Individuals with an asterisk by their name appeared virtually via Webex.

Board of Historic Resources Members Present:

W. Tucker Lemon, Chair 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
Wendy Musumeci*
Kyle Edwards
Elizabeth Lipford*
Dr. Jennifer Loux
Brad McDonald
Megan Melinat
Wendy Musumeci*
Karri Richardson*
Joanna Wilson Green

Board of Historic Resources Members Absent:

Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax Jeffrey "Free" A. Harris, Vice Chair

Guests Present from Attendees List at Meeting:

Peggy Crosson

Other State Agency Staff Present:

Jennifer Walle, Deputy Secretary for Natural and Historic Resources Andrew Tarne*, Office of the Attorney General

Guests Present from Attendees List in Webex:

Annie Carter
Bessida White
Catherine Brillhart
Dana Marie Davis
Jessie Linyear
Laura Purvis
Rick (no last name provided)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lemon called the meeting to order at 12:45 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: 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 Blackburn Inn and Conference Center for hosting this meeting and stated that masks are currently optional for visitors to the Inn.

Chair Lemon motioned to amend the agenda to remove the Policy Approval item from the easement portion of today's agenda. The motion to approve the amended meeting agenda was made by Mr. Pollard and seconded by Ms. Luck-Brimmer. All members voted affirmatively.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Crosson spoke in favor of the first DHR marker installation on the Virginia Lewis and Clark Legacy Trail. Dr. Loux read letters of support for the West Ford marker and the Potomac River Oyster Wars marker.

Chair Lemon thanked all those who spoke during the public comment period and confirmed no members had known conflicts of interest for any highway marker on today's agenda.

HIGHWAY MARKERS

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

Sponsor Markers – Diversity

1.) West Ford (ca. 1784-1863)

Sponsor: West Ford Legacy Foundation

Locality: Fairfax County

Proposed Location: Richmond Highway at intersection with Fordson Road

2.) Great Exodus from Bondage

Sponsor: City of Fredericksburg **Locality:** City of Fredericksburg

Proposed Location: 900 Princess Anne St.

3.) Trailblazers of a New Era

Sponsor: Alpha Phi Alpha Alumni Brothers

Locality: City of Richmond

Proposed Location: near new entrance to Evergreen Cemetery

4.) James Horace Carter Lynched

Sponsor: Middle Peninsula African-American Genealogical and Historical Society

Locality: King and Queen County

Proposed Location: Rt. 14 (The Trail) at intersection with Rt. 681 (Allens Circle)

Board Comments Summary: None.

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

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following two (2) Sponsor Markers as a block.

Sponsor Markers

1.) Ingles Ferry

Sponsor: Virginia Lewis & Clark Legacy Trail, Inc.

Locality: City of Radford

Proposed Location: Wilderness Dr. near intersection with W. Main St.

2.) Potomac River Oyster Wars

Sponsor: Colonial Beach Greenspace, Inc.

Locality: Town of Colonial Beach

Proposed Location: Intersection of Irving Ave. and Monroe Bay Ave.

Board Comments Summary:

Members discussed the unusual aspect that the Potomac River falls entirely within Maryland and noted this has significant legal ramifications in northern Virginia particularly.

With a motion to approve Sponsor Markers #1-#2 by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Ms. Jorjani, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following two (2) DHR-Funded Markers:

DHR-Funded Markers

1.) Belmead

Sponsor: DHR

Locality: Powhatan County **Proposed Location:** TBD

2.) Rosa L. Dixon Bowser (1855-1931)

Sponsor: DHR

Locality: Amelia County

Proposed Location: US 360 near intersection with Rt. 609 (Grub Hill Church Road)

Board Comments Summary: None.

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

Dr. Loux presented the following six (6) Replacement Markers as a consent agenda:

Replacement Markers

1.) Eltham WO-30

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: New Kent County

Proposed Location: Route 33 (Eltham Road) near intersection with Virginia Ave.

2.) Cabellsville R-81

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Nelson County

Proposed Location: Thomas Nelson Hwy (Rt. 29) at intersection with Cooperative Way

3.) Ebenezer Academy S-58

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Brunswick County

Proposed Location: Boydton Plank Road (U.S. 1), just south of Flat Rock Road (Rt. 643)

4.) William Ransom Johnson (1782-1849) M-60

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Chesterfield County

Proposed Location: River Road (Rt. 602) at intersection with Cedar Creek Road

5.) Dunlora Academy O-25

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Powhatan County

Proposed Location: US 60 at intersection with Ridge Road

6.) Battle of New Market A-28

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Shenandoah County

Proposed Location: U.S. 11 north of New Market at the 54th Pennsylvania monument

Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve Replacement Markers #1-#6 by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Mr. Pollard, all voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux reviewed the scoring criterion and asked for confirmation of the following five (5) Applications Recommended for Advancement to the December Board Cycle:

Five Applications Recommended for Advancement to December Board Cycle

Five Marker Topics Selected from August 1 Applications

Gainsboro Branch Library (City of Roanoke)

Flights to Freedom (Mathews County)

Ferrum (Franklin County)

Emancipated Community at Chimborazo Hill (City of Richmond)

Christian Home School (Isle of Wight County)

Alternates: Sunnyside School for Young Ladies (Mecklenburg County) and King Kiscutanewh's Trade Agreement (Virginia Beach)

<u>Comments Summary:</u> The Board clarified that these markers are nominated by the public and sponsored by DHR.

With a motion to approve the five (5) Applications Recommended for Advancement to the December Board Cycle by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Ms. Jorjani, all voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following Virginia Lewis and Clark Legacy Trail Plaque:

Virginia Lewis and Clark Legacy Trail Plaque

Sign to be affixed to posts of state highway markers that pertain to Lewis and Clark.

Comments Summary:

Board members confirmed that these markers would be installed in four to eight locations at this time, with additional planned in the future, and that the Board's role is to confirm that the design will not be confused with state highway markers.

With a motion to approve the Virginia Lewis and Clark Legacy Trail Plaque by Ms. Jorjani and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, all members voted in the affirmative.

The Marker portion of the agenda ended at 1:19 p.m.

BURIAL PERMITS

Joanna Wilson Green gave a brief presentation on burial permits:

Between June 16 and September 15, 2022 DHR issued (4) permits on the Board's behalf:

- (3) anticipatory permits, as no purposeful disturbance of human remains was proposed.
- (1) recovery, to accommodate the exhumation of three individuals for the purpose of DNA analysis
- (2) existing permits were granted extensions to accommodate project delays and other complications.
- (4) projects were closed following completion of permit conditions.
- 25 projects remain active.

Comments Summary:

Ms. Wilson-Green confirmed that some burial permits did involve Native American remains and tribal consultation was a key component of that process.

The Burial Permits portion of the agenda ended at 1:21 p.m.

EASEMENTS

New Easement Offer for Consideration

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

1. Peeler Tract, Buckland Mills Battlefield, Prince William County

Easement Applicant: The Conservation Fund

Offer for ± 10.26 acres

Mitigation Funding: Midwood Center Project, Carter's Mill Project

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

- 1. The Conservation Fund works with DHR to obtain perpetual legal access to the Peeler Tract for DHR staff and the general public.
- 2. Final review of 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.

Comments Summary:

Board members confirmed the property's adjacency to other Board held easements and inquired about other alternatives considered for access.

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

Easement Offers for Reconsideration

Mr. Edwards presented the following five (5) easement offers for reconsideration:

1. Myer's Hill Tract, Spotsylvania Court House Battlefield, Spotsylvania County

Easement Applicant: Central Virginia Battlefield Trust

Offer for 70.3228 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the Myer's Hill Tract easement offer, subject to the following revised conditions:

- 1. CVBT conveys a perpetual ingress-egress easement for DHR staff and the general public from Greenway Drive over adjacent CVBT property and the existing utility corridor to the 70.3228-acre easement area. This easement will be granted as part of the historic preservation and open-space easement.
- 2. Revision of the proposed easement area survey to include the perpetual access easement to DHR.

3. Final review of 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. Cline Tract, Piedmont Battlefield, Augusta County

Easement Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for 3.26 acres Grant Funding: ABPP

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the Cline Tract easement offer, subject to the following revised condition:

1. Final review of easement document and title commitment by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

3. Ellen Glasgow House, City of Richmond

Easement Applicants: John W. Pearsall, III, Patricia R. Pearsall, and Proman, LLC Offer for 0.498 acre

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the Ellen Glasgow House easement offer, subject to the following revised conditions:

- 1. The two adjoining tax parcels (Parcel ID Nos. W0000102010, and W0000102009) must also be covered in the title commitment.
- 2. Continued negotiation of the easement terms and provisions to the satisfaction of DHR staff.
- 3. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

4. King's Highway Heritage Park, Washington and Rochambeau Revolutionary Route, Prince William County

Easement Applicant: Prince William County

Offer for 1.4778 acres

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the King's Highway Heritage Park easement offer, subject to the following revised condition:

1. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

5. McGeath Log Cabin, Waterford Historic District, Loudoun County

Easement Applicant: David Barr Crowe

Offer for 0.1556 acres

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the McGeath Log Cabin easement offer, subject to the following revised conditions

- 1. Receipt of documents authorizing the existing Deed of Trust that encumbers the property to be subordinated to the easement
- 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.

Comments Summary:

The Board clarified the height restrictions and which portions of the property were affected for the Ellen Glasgow House.

With a motion to approve the five (5) Easement Offers for Reconsideration by Ms. Luck-Brimmer and a second from Ms. Jorjani, all voted in the affirmative.

New Easements Recorded Since the June 2022 BHR Meeting

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

1. Bowyer Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County

Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust

Acreage: 36.279 acres Recorded June 30, 2022

2. Locust Grove, Purcellville, Loudoun County

Easement Donors: Carter Warley and Erin Gemma

Acreage: 3 acres

Recorded June 30, 2022

Re-recorded August 3, 2022 (to correct a recording error)

Comments Summary: None

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

Chair Lemon adjourned the meeting of the Board of Historic Resources at 1:54 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 Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen Dr. Eleanor Breen Jeffrey E. Klee Greg Rutledge Carol Shull

Dr. Larissa Smith

State Review Board Members Absent

None.

Department of Historic Resources Staff Present

Director Julie Langan Lena McDonald Joanna McKnight Michael Pulice Aubrey Von Lindern Marc Wagner

Other State Agency Staff Present:

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

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.

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

- 1. Bluefield Commercial Historic District, Town of Bluefield, Tazewell County, DHR No. 143-5083, Criteria A and C
 - A question was asked about the economy of the district during the 1970s and its impact on the community. Mr. Rutledge commented that the district appears to be a nice, compact HD with period buildings.
- 2. Dameron Cottage, Town of Amherst, Amherst County, DHR No. 163-5014, Criteria A and C A question was asked about a further explanation of the Rustic Revival style. Question of whether the portion added in 1969 should be contributing. Mr. Pulice stated that it does contribute to the historic character of the building and therefore the period of significance should end in 1969. A comment was made that the name of the house on the nomination might include the name Bibby to acknowledge the brothers who are thought to have constructed the original part of the house. Mr. Pulice stated that we're not in a position to impose a name upon the cottage, and that the name being used meets NPS requirements; and suggested including the Bibby name under "other names" on the second line of the nomination. A question asked about why African American Ethnic Heritage would not apply under Criterion A. Pulice explained that currently there is not much documentation on the Bibbys and it has not been concluded with certainty that they built any part of the cottage; nor would building a log structure necessarily be significant enough to meet the criterion.
- 3. *** Norwich Historic District, City of Roanoke, DHR No. 128-6478, Criteria A and C Ms. Shull asked about the proposed boundary and if much of the modern infill in the district could be drawn out of the boundary.
 - 4. Pennington Gap Commercial Historic District, Lee County, DHR No. 281-5002, Criteria A and C No noteworthy comments were made by the board, although they were supportive of the district moving forward.
 - 5. Rockbridge Lime and Stone Company Plant, Rockbridge County, DHR No. 081-7153, Criterion A No noteworthy comments were made by the board, although they were supportive of eligibility.
 - 6. Sharon Church and School, Bedford County, DHR No. 009-5134, Criteria A and C and Criteria Consideration A
 - Ms. Shull questioned if the school has sufficient integrity to be a contributing building. A historic photo compared with a current photo convinced her that it does possess sufficient integrity.
 - 7. Williamson Farm, Washington County, DHR No. 095-0301, Criterion C Mr. Klee requested that a sketch plan of the site be included with a nomination, if undertaken. M. Pulice will work on this.

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

- 1. Green Spring Mill, Frederick County, DHR No. 034-0151, Criteria A and C Dr. Eleanor Breen asked about potential archaeological sites on the property and wondered if they could be explored in the nomination. She also noted that Oliver Evans machinery still extant in the building should be documented thoroughly in the nomination. No other comments were shared by board. They unanimously agreed the resources was potentially eligible for the National Register.
- 2. Putnam-Patton House, Prince William County, DHR No. 076-0179, Criterion C No comments or questions were given by the board. They unanimously agreed the resource was potentially eligible for the National Register.
- 3. Shenvalee Golf Resort, Shenandoah County, DHR No. [not yet assigned], Criteria A and C No comments or questions put forward by the board. They unanimously agreed the resource was potentially eligible for the National Register.

Eastern Region......presented by Marc Wagner and Joanna McKnight

- 1. Δ Barnetts School, Charles City County, DHR No. 018-5208, Criteria A and C Barnett's School was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Education; Social History; and Ethnic Heritage: African American) and Criterion A (Architecture) with period of significance of ca. 1948-1971, beginning with its construction and ending with its closure as a public school. The prestressed concrete ceiling beams, tall ceilings, and intact nature of the building were discussed by the Board. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The Board concurred with staff recommendations.
- 2. **De Paul Hospital Complex, City of Norfolk, DHR No. 122-6120, Criteria A and C De Paul Hospital Complex was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Health/Medicine) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of 1944-1973, beginning with construction of the hospital's earliest section and ending with completion of the most recent significant expansion. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score of 30 points. The Board questioned the significance of the architecture and felt that the complex was only eligible under Criterion A. The Board did feel the nomination could go forward.
- 3. **Fay Towers, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-7673, Criteria A and C
 Fay Towers was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Community Planning &
 Development) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of 1971, coinciding with the
 building's completion. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score
 of 35 points. The Board concurred with staff. Chair Mullen felt that the Ramsey Homes in Alexandria
 might have some helpful similar context. Board Member Klee cited the iconic example of the Pruitt-Igoe
 housing complex in St. Louis, and its destruction, as an example of a housing form that is disappearing. He
 felt that it was worthy to encourage preservation of a good Virginia example.
- 4. **Granby Street Institutional Corridor Historic District, City of Norfolk, DHR No. 122-6154, Criteria A and C
 - The Granby Street Suburban Institutional Corridor Historic District was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Community Planning & Development; Education; Ethnic Heritage: Greek and Jewish; Social History) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of 1939-1972, coinciding with construction of the earliest and most recent significance resources within the district. The committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score of 39 points. The Board asked a few questions about some of the specific resources. They unanimously agreed the resource was potentially eligible for the National Register.

- 5. Loch Lomond, Lunenburg County, DHR No. 055-0012, Criterion C Loch Lomond was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of c. 1800-c. 1930, beginning with its construction and ending with the latest significant architectural changes to the property. The mid-century barn and smokehouse (no longer standing) were briefly discussed. The Board and staff agreed that the history of the farm and its enslaved community should be included within the scope of the nomination. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The Board concurred with staff recommendations.
- 6. Δ Mica School, Charles City County, DHR No. 018-0211, Criteria A and C The Mica School was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Education; Social History; and Ethnic Heritage: African American) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of ca. 1915-1951, beginning with the building's construction and ending with its closure as a public school. The efforts to document and preserve the building were discussed by the Board. The no longer extant two outhouses were briefly discussed as structures that would have typically been used in early schools. The Board reiterated the importance of Black education sites for the preservation of Black culture and heritage, and that an MPD for historic African American schools (not solely Rosenwald-associated) would be a helpful resource. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The board concurred with staff recommendations.
- 7. **Newport News Downtown Historic District, City of Newport News, DHR No. 121-5621, Criteria A and C
 - The Newport News Downtown Historic District was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Community Planning & Development) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of 1893-1972, beginning with construction of the earliest extant resource and ending with completion of Newport Towers. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score of 30 points. The Board questioned the integrity of the architectural fabric and cityscape. There was discussion about the boundaries, the prevalence of parking lots. In the end the board supported eligibility with the understanding that the boundary may be more refined. The Board did not think that the very small section of frame residential architecture should be included (boundary reduction). They felt that government, institutional, religious and commercial architecture and historic themes were the best focus.
- 8. Δ Parrish Hill School, Charles City County, DHR No. 018-0165, Criteria A and C Parrish Hill School was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Education; Social History; and Ethnic Heritage: African American) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of ca. 1920-1951, beginning with the building's construction and ending with its closure as a public school. The Board briefly discussed the typical variances in standardized Rosenwald plans, and that the Parrish Hill School fits the standard T-20 plan, but has minor differences that would have been based on a variety of factors. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The Board concurred with staff recommendations.
- 9. Δ, },**Pleasant Ridge School, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-0399, Criterion A and Criteria Consideration B
 - Pleasant Ridge School was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Education; Ethnic Heritage: African American) and Criteria Consideration B (Moved Buildings) with a period of significance of 1915-1956, beginning with relocation of the school building to its present site and ending with its closure due to local school consolidation. Staff added that the James River Institute for Archeology, Inc. (JRIA) had performed a recent archeological assessment that included ground-penetrating radar and test trenches. Among the findings, some of the window glass that was uncovered was melted, providing some evidence to support the understanding that an earlier school on the site had burned. The Board discussed the property's archaeological potential, particularly the recent findings, and questioned whether the nomination would focus on the school or the site as a whole, with the emphasis on the connection between the school, church, and cemetery. Staff noted that PIF for the property focused on the school, but that many

rural African American communities across Virginia were oriented around a church, school, and cemetery. Meeting attendees Mark Reed, Historic Preservation Planner, City of Virginia Beach, and Marcus Pollard, Consultant, Commonwealth Preservation Group, commented on the significance of the school building within the State of Virginia. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The Board concurred with staff recommendations.

- 10. Δ Rocky Branch School, Dinwiddie County, DHR No. 026-5114, Criteria A and C Rocky Branch School was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Education; Social History; and Ethnic Heritage: African American) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of ca. 1911-1951, which begins with its construction and ends with its closure as a public school. Architect Jody Lahendro and the Board discussed the high integrity of the school, and the need to document early 20th century rural African American schools. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing. The Board concurred with staff recommendations.
- 11. Washington Circle World War I Memorial, City of Hopewell, DHR No. 116-0018, Criterion A and Criteria Consideration F
 - The Washington Circle World War I Memorial was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Art) and Criteria Consideration F (Commemorative Property) with a period of significance of 1924, coinciding with the memorial's installation at Washington Circle. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score of 34 points. The Board remarked at the unusual form of the memorial. They unanimously agreed the resource was potentially eligible for the National Register.
- 12. Δ, **Westwood Historic District, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-6151, Criteria A and C The Westwood Historic District was evaluated at the local level of significance under Criterion A (Ethnic Heritage: Black; Politics/Government, and Community Planning and Development) and Criterion C (Architecture) with a period of significance of 1890-1971, beginning with construction of the earliest building and ending with completion of the addition and installation of brick veneer on the Westwood Baptist Church. The committee noted that the draft historic boundary will be finalized upon completion of survey of the district. The staff committee recommended that the property proceed to listing with a score of 34 points. The Board were very supportive of 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.

- * Cost Share Sponsored Project
- ** Certified Local Government
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- Δ Associated with African American History
- # Associated with Virginia Indian History
- ^ ESHPF Grant-Funded Project
- % State Stewardship
- > National Park Service Grant-Funded Project