

**St. Mary's County, Maryland**  
**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES**  
**July 27, 2017**

**Present:** Anibal Delgado, Member  
Rob Gibbs, Member  
Eve Love, Member Carol Moody, Absent  
Kent Randell, Member  
Teresa Wilson, Member  
Sean Wickers, Member

**Call to Order:** The scheduled meeting of the HPC was called to order at 4 p.m.

**Roll Call and confirmation of quorum:** Done.

**Recognition of Guests:** Pete Himmelheber, former HPC member and Kathleen Easley, Interim Deputy Director for Land Use and Growth Management.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Ms. Love, seconded by Mr. Gibbs to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Randell, seconded by Ms. Love to approve the June 29, 2017 Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Report:**

- 1) During the staff report, members asked Ms. Brady to write a letter to Arthur Shepherd to request that Snow Hill not be demolished by fire. Motion by Mr. Randell, seconded by Ms. Wilson that staff writes a letter allowing for an investigation of the interior of the old house which had been altered during the 1950's.

**Old Business:**

- 1) Cemetery Committee Update – Rob Gibbs  
Mr. Gibbs had spoken with Scott Lawrence and everyone was anticipating the clean-up of the John Wesley Cemetery this fall.

- 2) Broadcasting and scheduling of former Lectures – Rob Gibbs  
Ms. Brady said that she had spoken with Ms. Carter and that Ms. Carter would be sending a broadcasting schedule for the three lectures the Historic Preservation Commission had provided that year.  
Mr. Randell said that he would be willing to give a lecture in the month of October – topic and theme would be: Is Susquehanna a haunted house? Mr. Himmelheber said that he would give a talk in January. Ms. Love said that she would ask her husband if he would be willing to give a talk on the houses that used to exist where PAX is located today. Ms. Brady said that she was in the process of scheduling a talk on Osprey from a park ranger naturalist.

- 3) Visit to Bachelor's Hope  
Ms. Brady asked members for some convenient times and dates so that she could make arrangements for the visit to Bachelor's Hope.

**New Business:**

- 1) Election of Officers

Motion by Ms. Love, second by Mr. Gibbs to nominate Carol Moody as Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Randell, seconded by Mr. Wickers to nominate Teresa Wilson as Vice-Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Randell to nominate Eve Love as Secretary of the Historic Preservation Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

2) Keeping History above Water Conference October 29<sup>th</sup> to November 1, 2017.

Ms. Brady said that the county had submitted a check request for 5 of the 7 HPC members to attend the conference. She also informed members that by the time the registration fees were paid (\$275) each; members were reimbursed for mileage and meals that there wouldn't be any funds left to pay for hotel rooms. She informed members that if they purchased a hotel room that they would have to pay for the room themselves. The HPC has a total of \$2,000 in its budget for conferences.

3) **Identification of Historic photos – Rob Gibbs (amended to Agenda)**

Mr. Gibbs provided a power point show of historic photos taken in St. Mary's County taken by Frances Benjamin Johnston in 1930. Members were able to identify some of the photos and Ms. Brady recommended that he post the images on the St. Mary's County Facebook group as they were very responsive.

**Announcements:**

None

**Adjournment:** Motion by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Randell to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Submitted By:

Signed by:

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Grace Mary Brady

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Carol Moody, Chair

Date: Approved on September 28, 2017