

GWINNETT HISTORICAL RESTORATION & PRESERVATION BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 15, 2021, 10:00am

Members present: Chairwoman Marlene Taylor-Crawford, Vice Chairwoman Ann Bender, Justin Walsh, Demetrios Lambros, and Sara Howe-Silvers

Members absent: County Historian Marvin Nash Worthy

1. Call to Order
 - a. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Taylor-Crawford at 10:03am
2. Welcome/Opening Remarks
 - a. Chairwoman Taylor-Crawford welcomed everyone and encouraged participation
3. Approval of Agenda
{Action: approved; Motion: Howe-Silvers; Second: Lambros; Vote: (5-0) Taylor-Crawford-Yes; Bender-Yes; Howe-Silvers-Yes; Lambros-Yes; Walsh-Yes}
4. Approval of Minutes-October 18, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes
5. {Action: approved; Motion: Lambros; Second: Howe-Silvers; Vote: (5-0) Taylor-Crawford-Yes; Bender-Yes; Howe-Silvers-Yes; Lambros-Yes; Walsh-Yes}
6. Announcements (Board Members)
 - a. Chairwoman Taylor-Crawford highlighted two historical books of interest: History of Gwinnett County, Volume 3 by County Historian Marvin Nash Worthy and Vanishing Gwinnett by W. Dorsey Stancil which includes a photo and information on the Charles Hale lynching
7. Old Business
 - a. Preservation Awards
 - i. No updates
 - b. Gwinnett Remembrance Coalition Marker Installation Ceremony updates by Ray Harvin and Stephen Babb
 - i. Marker unveiling event scheduled for January 15, 2022
 - ii. Event procession supported by City of Lawrenceville police
 - c. Logistics for upcoming schedule of Tour of Historical Sites
 - d. Update on tour of historical sites
 - i. Will pair sites with location of Board meeting-Gwinnett Historic Courthouse, Freeman's Mill Park, Isaac Adair House, and Lawrenceville Female Seminary
 - e. County Historian
 - i. Commissioner Fosque confirmed a stipend for future appointees
 - ii. Board will continue to discuss criteria and list of applicants for future appointees
 - iii. Board will discuss potential applicants with Gwinnett Historic Society and other historic organizations
 - iv. Board would like to communicate with current County Historian if possible

8. New Business

a. Historical Fact

- i. Board member Howe Silvers presented on the history of Five Forks Trickum Road and community history

b. 2022 Meeting Dates and Location discussion

- i. Approval of bi-monthly meetings starting January 10, 2022, at 6pm

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- ii. Board Secretary will set locations for remainder of 2022 year for approval at next meeting

9. Project Updates

a. Mark Patterson provided updates on:

- i. Elisha Winn House property completed
- ii. Updated signage with Gwinnett branding
- iii. Interpretive signage at Yellow River Post Office, Lawrenceville Female Seminary and McDaniel Farm Park
- iv. Promised Land project and research-presentation in 2022

10. Program Updates

a. Sarah Barlow provided updates on:

- i. School Field Trips at Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center
- ii. Successful Harvest Homecoming Event at McDaniel Farm Park on 10.23.2021
- iii. Tours at Freeman's Mill and McDaniel Farm Park farmhouse
- iv. Promised Land genealogy research on enslaved people, oral history collection with Atlanta History Center partnership
- v. Lighting of the Tree at Gwinnett Historic Courthouse on 11.25.2021
- vi. Rooted in History walk highlighting Native American Heritage, McDaniel Farm Park on 11.20.2021 from 9am-noon

11. Comments from Audience

- a. A. Porter-no comment but talking with Mr. Livsey
- b. Dr. M. Robinson-English Professor at Spelman College, glad to get to know exciting things happening in Gwinnett, plan to get more involved as she learns the opportunities to do so
- c. Mr. Babb-appreciative of Board's support and learning about all the opportunities, apologized for technical difficulties

12. Adjournment at 11:10am

{Action: approved; Motion: Taylor-Crawford; Vote: (5-0) Taylor-Crawford-Yes; Bender-Yes; Howe-Silvers-Yes; Lambros-Yes; Walsh-Yes}