

Approved Minutes  
Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust  
December 14, 2021

The Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust (GCHNRT) met on December 14, 2021, at 10:00 AM by Zoom.

Chair Doug Harper opened the meeting with welcome and recap of the recent accomplishments of the Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust. He thanked especially Carlton Owen, Nicole Wood and Meredith Papapieris for their efforts to complete the work necessary to move the grants forward and the arrangements for the site visits.

Members Present: Carlton Owen (17), Pam Shucker (19), Alex Reynolds (20), Dave Hargett (21), Joe Pulliam (22), Tripp Taylor (23), Doug Harper (24), Kenneth Baxter (25) by proxy, Bryant Harrison (26), Dennis de Francisco (27).

Member Absent: Matt Thomas (28).

With a Board quorum present and no guests, the meeting continued without need for adjournment to executive session.

Chair Harper requested approval of Minutes of the 11/17/21 meeting which had been previously sent by email to members. Mr. Reynolds moved for approval and Mr. Harrison seconded. The 11/17/21 Minutes were approved unanimously.

Old Business: Discussion of the Approved Grant Projects

Grants Committee Chair Carlton Owen recapped the approval of Projects #5, #6, #7 pending the site visits. With no further discussion generated by the site visits, these projects stood as previously unanimously approved.

Project #8 had been tabled at the 11/17/21 meeting.

Mr. Owen moved that Project #8 be approved at the requested grant amount of \$150,000 and that the Eligible Entity be made aware of the Trust's desire to see the final conservation easement include a provision for not more than 3 additional structures and that the property be managed under a forest

management plan development by a SC Registered Forester. The Eligible Entity would be given one year to close on the property from the date of acceptance of the Grant Agreement. Mr. Harrison seconded the motion.

Discussion followed. The Board was reminded that it had the right to rescind a grant if the project did not meet the criteria set out in the grant or if the project was not completed in one year; a 6-month extension could be granted.

The motion passed with 10 members voting for, including 1 proxy vote, and none against.

Mr. Harper asked Mr. Reynolds for a report on the Communications Committee. Mr. Reynolds reported the committee had not met but the website was up and running. When the projects close, he will share that on the website, in a press release, and to County Council.

Mr. Owen reminded the Board that Project #6 will close tomorrow. Also, Project #7 has another donor source and that the total promised funds could create the ability to complete the renovation of the site to be used as a history museum and event space for the mill village.

Mr. Harper thanked the staff members who worked quickly to make the funds available for the projects.

There being no other business and no public comment, Mr. Harper asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Harrison moved for adjournment and Mr. Hargett seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Shucker, Secretary