

Minutes
Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust
August 18, 2021

The Historic and Natural Resources Trust Board (Trust) met on April 18, 2021 in Conference Room B of County Square. The meeting began at 5:05 pm.

Members present: Carlton Owen (17), Alex Reynolds (20), Dave Hargett (21), Joe Pulliam (22), Tripp Taylor (23), Doug Harper (24), Kenneth Baxter (25), Bryant Harrison (26), Dennis DeFrancesco (27), and Matt Thomas (28).

Member absent: Pam Shucker (19); Member Brent Odom (18) resigned due to relocation outside of the district.

Guests present: Paula Glucker – Asst. County Administrator
Tee Coker – County Planning Director
Anne Peden -- Historic Preservation Commission
Charlene Spelts – Piedmont Historical Preservation Society

Chairman Doug Harper called the meeting to order. After introductions he thanked Mr. Reynolds for arranging education session speakers and then introduced Ms. Glucker and Mr. Coker who provided information about their respective roles with the County. Both urged members to contact them about any information needed to perform the Trust's mission.

Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

On a motion by Mr. Reynolds with second by Mr. Baxter minutes of the June 9, 2021 Workshop and Board meeting were approved as presented.

Public Comments

No one registered to provide public comments.

Old Business

Chairman Harper reminded all of County Council's final decision to provide \$1 million/year in each of the next two years to support the Trust's work.

New Business

Chairman Harper thanked the members of the Communications Committee and the Grants Committee for their work and called for reports from each.

Communications Committee: Mr. Reynolds reported on the Committee's meeting and work to date to develop a Trust website. He had provided all a link to the draft site prior to the meeting. On a recommendation of the Committee, the Board voted unanimously to publish the site as drafted.

Grants Committee: Mr. Owen reported on the Committee's work and recommended three documents for adoption: Board Policies and Procedures; a Grant Application; and a project ranking system. After thorough discussion all were adopted for use as initial procedures to begin the Trust's work. All will be considered "working documents" that can and will be adjusted as the Trust gains operational experience.

With these foundational documents approved, Mr. Owen and Mr. Reynolds agreed to work to translate them into online materials for the website. Mr. Owen then recommended, that in accordance with the three "grant cycles dates" provided in the enabling ordinance – April 1, August 1, and November 1 – that the Board target September 1 as the opening date for the Trust's first request for proposals for the November 1 closing date cycle. The recommendation was approved unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Reynolds with second by Mr. Baxter, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carlton Owen acting on behalf of Pam Shucker, Secretary
Approved X.X.2021