

Minutes
Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust
5/5/2022 5:00 PM by Zoom

The Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust met by Zoom on May 5, 2022, from 5:00-5:28 PM.

Chair Carlton Owen called the meeting to order at 5:06 PM. Chair Owen acknowledged the members present and gave reasons for some members' absences. He announced a quorum was present and no visitors or County representatives attended, so there was no public input.

Members present: Carlton Owen (17), Nannette latesta (18), Pam Shucker (19), Alex Reynolds (20), Joe Pulliam (22), Doug Harper (24), Kenneth Baxter (25), and Bryant Harrison (26).

Members absent: Dave Hargett (21), Tripp Taylor (23), Dennis DeFrancisco (27), and Matt Thomas (28).

Owen reviewed the meeting Agenda.

Chair Owen welcomed new Board Representative from District #18, Nannette latesta, who introduced herself.

Chair Owen detailed the reason for the meeting which was to consider the increase of the grant awarded to project #7 from Cycle #1.

Grants Committee Chair Joe Pulliam made the motion: "The Grants Committee recommends that Application #7, from Cycle #1, be increased from the originally approved \$40,000 to a total of \$53,500, an increase of \$13,500."

Chair Owen reminded the Board that the motion came from a standing committee, the Grants Committee, so it did not need a second. The floor opened for discussion.

Board member Kenneth Baxter requested that Chair Owen reiterate the issues raised by Board member Dave Hargett regarding the motion. Chair Owen reminded the Board of the answers he gave through email in response to those

questions, that no precedents had been set for this action and it was appropriate to the Trust's Ordinance.

Mr. Baxter moved that the motion be approved. Mr. Harrison seconded. The vote on the motion carried unanimously including two proxy votes by absent members Dave Hargett and Dennis DeFrancisco.

Chair Owen requested Grants Chair Pulliam give an informal update on the grants for Cycle #2. Mr. Pulliam mentioned that applications for three grants had been considered, but one had to be rejected due to a funding request that fell outside of our authority. The other two grants will be recommended for funding following the site visits.

Mr. Harper requested an update on the funds available for grants at present. Chair Owen reported, "With the amended action on May 5, in Grant Cycle 1 we committed \$453,500 of \$500,000. We have unlimited carry-over authority. So, the remaining \$46,5000 is available in Cycle 2 and beyond."

Alex Reynolds moved for adjournment and Doug Harper seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Shucker, Secretary