

Historic Bath Foundation, Inc.
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2015 Bath Town Hall
1100-1200

Chairman Surry Everett welcomed everyone and opened the meeting asking if a quorum had been met. Surry, Gene, Karen, Betsy, Milo, Jason, Jimmy present. Previous board members: Mariann. Ex-officio: Peggy, Ruth. Quorum determined. None opposed. The chairman asked if everyone had a chance to review the draft minutes. Gene motioned to accept minutes as presented. Second by Jimmy Edwards. None opposed.

Treasurer's Report

As per annual meeting.

Reports of Officers

President:

Vice President: Gene explained a bit more about the advertising effort to assist increasing visitation on Sundays at the Visitor Center would be focused on targeted audiences within the Raleigh paper at a more reasonable cost as compared to Our State magazine. We will include advertising for the July Pirates in the Port event.

Secretary: Karen Shared email correspondence which included votes on the following items: funds approved for reprinting of Tricentennial banners \$1823, park lot mowing agreement with Garden Classics approved through the recommendation of the executive committee after receiving bids from all local lawn care businesses which is \$110 for mowing twice monthly. Garden Classics was the lowest bid. Advertising costs for promoting the Visitor Center being opened on Sundays was approved for \$3000. In addition, funds to be provided to pay partial costs for part-time Sunday staff salary. HBC will receive \$600 based on estimate given per Leigh. Willson memorial stone cost \$653.25 with the following language was approved: In memory of Leonard Alfred Willson III. He loved, lived in and save the adjacent two stores until his death on October 06, 2010.

Reports of Committees

As per annual meeting.

Old Business:

Walking tour brochure/digitization is in a holding pattern.

Willson memorial is in a holding pattern.

Catnip Point: The Styron Cemetery sign will be ordered.

Town Park: The Park and Recreation Authority have not met because the budget has not been approved. We will not know whether we have been awarded funds for the park until after they receive the budget. An inquiry was made as to whether we are insured at the park because people are using it now. Surry said we have liability insurance.

Senior Center: Mid-East is allowing the Belhaven Center to encourage more use of their center before making a decision about moving it to Bath.

Stabilization Grant: Karen, Peg, and Tricia are working on this with advisement from John Wood/State Preservation.

First Port/Small Grant: First Port small grants project: the rights to the products that funded Gillian Hookway small grant for First Port celebration will remain with HBC.

Port Bath Marker: Leigh and Tricia are working on the Port Bath Marker for the park.

Midyette-Ormond structure: Funds have been approved to stabilize the Godley structure until we can figure out a solution for saving it.

Craven Cemetery fence: Jim Edwards and Gene measured for the fence and they will investigate who can install it. The tentative amount projected is 10,753 for the entire project. Karen/Mariann motioned to approve. Second by Jason.

New Business:

Surry asked for nominations for officers. None received. Surry asked the current officers if they would continue to serve in their role and all agreed. Surry shared that new board member, Claude Jones, was interested in taking on the Treasurer position. Unanimous support from board was received for election of officers.

Surry scanned boxes of old HBF documents and provided thumb drives to several board members for safe keeping. He had been trying to find the documents which indicate that Bath will receive part of the QAR exhibit. Surry shared that the new Treasurer would move HBF funds to a new bank of his choice for convenience.

Surry asked whether there was additional new business and with no further business offered, Surry adjourned the meeting.

The next quarterly meeting is September 25, 2015 at Bath Town Hall - 3pm.

Submitted

Karen Sayer
Secretary