

**FAUQUIER COUNTY
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD**

Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2017

4:00 p.m.

Old Bust Head Brewery – Conference Room

7134 Farm Station Road

Warrenton, Virginia 20187

Attendance:

Mary Root, Chair (Citizen-at-Large)

Jack LaMonica (Marshall District Representative)

John Toler (Scott District Representative)

Bob Lee (Planning Commission Representative)

Bryan Jacobs (Lee District Representative)

Absent:

Reta Rodgers (Cedar Run District Representative)

Virginia Gerrish (Center District Representative)

Staff:

Wendy Wheatcraft, Preservation Planner

Guest:

Ray Root

1. Ms. Root called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. The November 1, 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed.

Ms. Root made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 – 0.

3. Ongoing Business

- On-going Project Updates

Ms. Root asked Ms. Wheatcraft to give an update regarding the number of applications received to date for the cemetery documentation internship. Ms. Wheatcraft stated that seven individuals have inquired about the internship. As of December 3, three have submitted formal applications, one student from North Carolina, one attending Mary Washington University, and the last currently working as an intern for Shenandoah National Park. Prospective candidates have until December 30, 2017 to submit applications. Since there have been more applications than anticipated, Mr. Lee suggested hiring two interns to complete additional documentation. Ms. Root asked about the starting date of the internship, and Ms. Wheatcraft replied that the internship(s) were to begin in February and continue through April, weather permitting. This is planned to be the first installment of a continuing, possibly multi-year, documentation project.

Ms. Root summarized plans for the masonry workshop scheduled for the second Saturday in May, 2018 in Warrenton. Topics covered would include stucco, plaster, and whitewash. ARB members discussed probable craftsmen in the area who may be willing to conduct public demonstrations.

Mr. Toler was obligated to leave the meeting around 4:35 p.m., being previously committed to attend another function.

Ms. Wheatcraft raised the topic of the update for the Historic Preservation Plan and reminded the ARB that it was still a work in progress. It was a project that was set aside in order to work on other imminent projects. Since the HP Plan update is scheduled to be completed in 2018, she will soon resurrect it, after the Upperville survey and NR nomination grant project has been finalized and the Midland Historic District NR nomination project has begun.

Ms. Wheatcraft mentioned the recent amendment of the adaptive use ordinance that make allowances for building reconstruction on a historic property determined to be eligible for adaptive use. She will forward copies of the new ordinance language to the ARB in January.

4. New Business

- Other historic farm/outbuilding public education opportunities

Ms. Wheatcraft distributed current photographs of the historic property owned by the Clifton Institute off Blantyre Road. The Institute is in the process of restoring the detached kitchen/slave dwelling located to the rear of the main house. Ms. Wheatcraft attended a recent program there, where she had the opportunity of speaking with the Interim Program Director who mentioned a potential future partnership with the ARB to offer a public educational program. Ms. Wheatcraft thought this a good opportunity to conduct a public program in the county and feature the reuse of historic outbuildings, although no likely program dates or specific topics were discussed.

5. Announcements

- Cost share grant public meeting in January (re: Midland Historic District NR nomination)

6. The next ARB meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

7. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.