

FAUQUIER COUNTY ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2012

4:00 p.m.

2nd Floor Meeting Room, Warren Green Building, 10 Hotel Street, Warrenton

Attendance:

Mary Root, Chair (Citizen-at-Large)
Bob Lee (Planning Commission Representative)
Patricia Fitch (Center District Representative)
Jack LaMonica (Marshall District Representative)

Wendy Wheatcraft, Preservation Planner
Holly Meade, Asst. Chief of Planning
Beth Young, County Staff
Fran Williams, County Staff

Members of the Public
Bob Sinclair

ARB Members Absent:

Julie Broaddus (Scott District Representative)
Hilary Gerhardt (Cedar Run District Representative)
Chris Phillips (Lee District Representative)

1. Ms. Root called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.
2. Introduction of Wendy Wheatcraft, new Fauquier County Preservation Planner & staff representative for the Architectural Review Board
3. New Business
Ms. Wheatcraft asked the Board to consider a list of long-range preservation planning goals for Fauquier County's cultural resources:
 - county cemetery ordinance
discussion – Ms. Wheatcraft informed the Board about the Prince William County and Stafford County cemetery ordinances currently in place. She proposed work on a Fauquier County cemetery ordinance. Mr. Sinclair was asked to provide comments about his family cemetery in northern Fauquier County. Ms. Fitch made comments about her family cemetery. A brief discussion about state cemetery code violations ensued. There was a conversation about how to make law enforcement officers and the Commonwealth Attorney more aware of state cemetery code provisions and offenses. Ms. Wheatcraft stated that she would send the list of state cemetery laws to the Board.
 - comprehensive survey of historic architecture
 - update of historic resources chapter of the comprehensive plan
 - CLG status
4. Old Business
 - Proposed AT&T telecommunications tower, 12093 Hume Road
update: The applicant will be moving forward with his submission to the county. A public meeting was recently held in Hume to inform the community of the tower project.

The ARB restated their 2011 recommendations for the project, including the suggestion to decrease the proposed tower height to minimize the indirect adverse effect to the John Marshall's Leeds Manor National Register Rural Historic District.

- Dominion Power project mitigation, historic district sign placement recommendations update: The signage design for the Bristersburg Historic District and the John Marshall's Leeds Manor Rural Historic District was shown to the Board. A discussion of sign placement occurred.

5. Upcoming Events

- August 9, 2012 - RRRC Living Towns Workshop, "Maintaining Small Town Character"
 - September 23–25, 2012 - Annual State Historic Preservation Conference, Leesburg
 - September 22-23 - Preconference Cemetery Workshop
 - September 23 - Preconference Architectural Review Board Training (free-of-charge)
- Patricia Fitch, Center District, stated that she would like to attend the cemetery workshop and the state conference.

6. Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

7. Adjourn:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.