

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
Survey Committee Minutes
Location: 2100 Randolph Road, Charlotte, N. C.
November 1, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 10:32 a.m.**

Present:

Ms. Diane Althouse

Mr. Tom Egan

Ms. Penny Higdon

Mr. Jeff Parsons, HLC Secretary/Survey Committee Chair

Mr. Jonathan Schulz

Dr. Dan L. Morrill, HLC Consulting Director

Mr. Stewart Gray, HLC Preservation Planner

Ms. Elizabeth Stuart, HLC Administrative Assistant

Mr. Len Norman, ex officio

Absent:

Mr. Louis Asbury

Mr. Nathan Clark, HLC Treasurer

Mr. Larken Egleston, HLC Vice-Chair

Dr. Thomas Hanchett

Mr. Stefan Pienkny

Mr. Michael Rogers

Dr. Lynn Weis

Visitors:

Allen Brooks, William Peeps House

Jay Levell, Highland Park Mill #1

Polly Menaker, William Peeps House

Anita Clark Robinson, Caldwell Berry Farm

The Committee Chair noted that a quorum was not present. Consequently, motions cannot be passed. The Committee instead will have to approve or

disapprove items by consensus. The Historic Landmarks Commission at its December meeting will have to approve or disapprove motions based on the consensus items presented to it by the Survey Committee.

1. Chair's Report: Mr. Jeff Parsons, HLC Secretary and Survey Committee Chair
Mr. Parsons welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the members for their service on the Committee.

2. Consulting Director's Report: Dr. Dan Morrill

Dr. Morrill reported the following:

a. Review of Funding for Survey and Research Reports

Dr. Morrill detailed the budget for Survey and Research Reports for this fiscal year.

b. Reginald Hawkins House, 1703 Madison Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. Tom Hanchett has produced a historical essay on the home of Dr. Reginald Hawkins, a major figure in the Civil Rights Movement in Charlotte-Mecklenburg in the mid-twentieth century. The Survey and Research Report will be considered by the Survey Committee at its January meeting.

c. Pineville Library, 202 Main Street, Pineville, N.C.

The owner has requested that the Commission fund a Survey and Research Report on the property. Staff plans to contact the Town Council to judge its interest in support of historic landmark designation.

3. Status of Processing Properties for Historic Landmark Designation: Dr. Dan Morrill

a. Parkwood A.R.P. Church, 1017 Parkwood Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.

The Parkwood A.R.P. Church is scheduled for a public hearing resolution of the Charlotte City Council at its meeting in January.

b. Former Charlotte Fire Station No. 10, 2136 Remount Road, Charlotte, N.C.

The Consulting Director is meeting on November 13th with parties interested in

conveying the property to a private party. Any future processing of the property for historic landmark designation will occur after that meeting.

c. Historic Charlotte Fire Equipment, Charlotte, N.C.

The Historic Charlotte Fire Equipment is scheduled for a public hearing resolution of the Charlotte City Council at its meeting in January.

d. Rudisill Hill Gold Mine, 317 West Summit Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.

The Historic Landmarks Commission voted at its October meeting to suspend the processing of the property for historic landmark designation in deference to the owner's wishes. The Commission has asked the Charlotte Historic Districts Commission to notify the HLC if an application for Certificate of Appropriateness is submitted to the Charlotte Historic Districts Commission.

4. Consideration of the Survey and Research Report on the Wilmore Elementary School, 428 West Boulevard, Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. Morrill reviewed the Survey and Research Report on Wilmore Elementary School, 428 West Boulevard, Charlotte, N.C.

The Committee reached a consensus that the Historic Landmarks Commission should process the Wilmore Elementary School, 428 West Boulevard, Charlotte, N.C., for historic landmark designation and that such designation should include the interior of the building, the exterior of the building, and the entire tax parcel upon which the Wilmore Elementary School is located.

5. Consideration of the Survey and Research Report on Highland Park Mill #1, 340 East 16th Street, Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. Morrill reviewed the Survey and Research Report on Highland Park Mill #1, 340 East 16th Street, Charlotte, N.C.

The Committee reached a consensus that the Historic Landmarks Commission should process the Highland Park Mill #1, 340 East 16th Street, Charlotte, N.C., for historic landmark designation and that such designation should include the

interior of the building, the exterior of the building, and the entire tax parcel upon which the Highland Park Mill #1 is located.

6. The Town of Matthews is seeking to preserve the house at 201 South Ames Street, Matthews, N.C. The house is owned by Matthews Presbyterian Church, which intends to demolish the house unless it is relocated. The Town will pay for the preparation of a Survey and Research Report to demonstrate that the house has special significance.

The Committee reached a consensus that the Town of Matthews be authorized to prepare a Survey and Research Report on the Ames Street House, 201 South Ames Street, Matthews, N.C., for presentation to the Historic Landmarks Commission at its December meeting.

7. Recommend that the HLC fund the preparation of a Survey and Research Report on the Caldwell Berry Farm, 7231 McIlwaine Road, Huntersville, N.C.

The Committee reached a consensus that the Historic Landmarks Commission fund a Survey and Research Report on the Caldwell Berry Farm upon the Staff's receipt of a report of acceptable progress of the owner's renovation of the property.

8. Recommend that the HLC fund the preparation of a Survey and Research Report on Charlotte Fire Station Number Eight, 1201 The Plaza, Charlotte, N.C.

The report will be prepared by the HLC Consulting Director for the established fee for presentation at the HLC's January meeting.

The Committee reached a consensus that the HLC Consulting Director be authorized to prepare a Survey and Research Report on Fire Station Number Eight, 1201 The Plaza, Charlotte, N.C., for presentation at the HLC's January meeting.

9. Consideration of placement of the Dr. Bonnie E. Cone House, 9234 Sandburg Avenue, Charlotte, N.C., on the Study List of Prospective Historic Landmarks and

funding of the preparation of a Survey and Research Report on the Dr. Bonnie E. Cone House.

The owner supports historic landmark designation. The report would be prepared by Bill Jeffers as set forth in his proposal.

The Committee reached a consensus that Bill Jeffers be authorized to prepare a Survey and Research Report on the Dr. Bonnie E. Cone House, 9234 Sandburg Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.

10. Consideration of placement of the William Peeps House, 831 East Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, N.C., on the Study List of Prospective Historic Landmarks.

William H. Peeps was a leading architect of Charlotte in the first half of the twentieth century. He designed this house as his residence. It is located in the Dilworth Historic District.

The Committee reached a consensus that the William H. Peeps House, 831 East Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, N.C., be placed on the Historic Landmarks Commission's Study List.

11. Consideration of placement of the Harkey House, 2601 Selwyn Avenue, Charlotte, N.C., on the Study List of Prospective Historic Landmarks.

The Committee reached a consensus that the Harkey House, 2601 Selwyn Avenue, Charlotte, N.C., be placed on the Historic Landmarks Commission's Study List.

12. Staff Recommendation for Survey and Research Reports

The preparation of Survey and Research Reports is a fundamental function of the Historic Landmarks Commission. Staff has developed a tentative list of properties it recommends for processing for historic landmark designation during this period. The owners of these properties will have to be contacted to determine whether they support designation.

Staff stated that it was not making recommendations for action and that the issue of additional Survey and Research Reports to be funded will be considered at the January meeting of the Survey Committee.

- a. Derita School Gymnasium, 6115 Rumble Road, Charlotte, N.C.**
- b. Cornelius School Agricultural Building, 21126 Catawba Avenue, Cornelius, N.C.**
- c. Alexander Farm (Cornelius), 8315 Westmoreland Road, Cornelius, N.C.**

13. Old Business

Mr. Parsons reminded the Committee members that recommendations for potential historic landmarks may be made and brought forward to the Committee. Mr. Parsons also expressed concerns regarding attendance and asked Committee members to review attendance policies.

14. New Business

There was no new business.

The Committee adjourned at 10:32 a.m.