# **Draft Minutes**

### JOINT MEETING

# STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

### 10:00 a.m. December 12, 2024

Halsey Family Lecture Hall, Virginia Museum of History and Culture 428 N Arthur Ashe Blvd, Richmond, VA 23220

### **State Review Board Members Present**

John Mullen, Chair Aimee Jorjani, Chair

Dr. Jody L. Allen, Vice-Chair Dr. Ken Rutherford, Vice-Chair

Dr. Jeffrey Klee

Dr. Larissa M. Smith

Carol Shull

Dr. Eleanor Breen

Trip Pollard

Martin Townes

Jamie Bosket

Dr. Ashley Spivey

### **State Review Board Members Absent**

### **Historic Resources Board Members Absent**

**Historic Resources Board Members Present** 

Greg Rutledge Mary Pope Hutson

### **Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Julie Langan, Director Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director

Roger Kirchen, Deputy Director

Amanda Terrell

Brad McDonald

Michael Pulice

Megan Melinat

Jolene Smith

Jennifer Pullen

Aubrey Von Lindern

Joanna McKnight Ivy Tan\*

Austin Walker Latoya Gray-Sparks\* Mae Tilley\* Elizabeth Lipford Kyle Edwards Joanna Wilson Green Dr. Jennifer Loux Wendy Musumeci **Connor Hudgins** Angel Williams Loretta Tillman Deborah Hall Kathy O'Shea\* Joanna Heil Allison Mueller\* Quatro Hubbard\*

### **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Corey Scott, Assistant Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General

# **Guests Present (from attendees list in Teams and sign-in sheets)**:

Debra McClane	Joseph Beddow	Lena McDonald
Lee Houston	Kristin Kirchen	Harry A. Jaeger
Stephanie Richardson	Chief Terry Price	Annette Price
Joe Shull	Mark Reed	Jennifer Smith
Elizabeth Nowak	Catherine Weinraub	Faith Hamman
Karen McCrocklin	Jennifer Hooff	Ashlen Stump
Kayla Halberg	Emma Lineberger	Audrey Davis

<sup>\*</sup>denotes virtual attendance

### **Board of Historic Resources (BHR)**

Chair Jorjani called the Board of Historic Resources to order at 10:01 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of BHR members to establish the presence of a quorum: Chair Jorjani, Vice-Chair Rutherford, Dr. Spivey, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Townes, and Mr. Bosket are present.

Chair Jorjani read the land acknowledgement statement. She next explained the purpose and duties of the BHR. She invited BHR members to introduce themselves and introduced herself. Chair Jorjani noted that today's meeting is taking place in person and online and is being recorded. She said that some DHR staff members are attending the meeting online as are members of the public.

Chair Jorjani requested a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Mr. Pollard so moved, and Dr. Spivey seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Jorjani asked for a motion to approve the September 19, 2024, meeting minutes. Dr. Spivey made the motion and Mr. Bosket seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Jorjani requested a motion for approval of signature authority for the new Deputy Director of Preservation Programs. Dr. Spivey so moved, and Mr. Townes seconded. Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

### **State Review Board (SRB)**

Chair Mullen called the State Review Board to order at 10:07 a.m. Deputy Director Williams took roll call of SRB members to confirm the presence of a quorum. Chair Mullen, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Dr. Breen, Dr. Smith, and Dr. Klee are present.

Chair Mullen explained the purpose and duties of the SRB and the process of Register designation. Each SRB member introduced themselves.

Chair Mullen noted that today's meeting is taking place in person and online, and that it is being recorded. He said that some members of the public are attending the meeting online.

Chair Mullen next asked the SRB members if there were any questions about the agenda. Hearing none, Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the meeting format and agenda. Dr. Klee so moved, and Dr. Smith seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative. Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the September 19, 2024, meeting minutes. Ms. Shull so moved, and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Chair Jorjani introduced Director Langan.

### **Director's Report**

Director Langan began her report by thanking Mr. Bosket and the staff of the Virginia Museum of History and Culture for hosting the meeting. She also thanked the Board members for their efforts and DHR staff for all their work preparing for and planning the meeting.

Director Langan introduced Andrew Tarne from the Office of the Attorney General and Assistant Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources Corey Scott, both of whom were in attendance, and provided several DHR staff updates. She introduced Connor Hudgins, DHR's new Chief Financial Officer, and Roger Kirchen, the agency's new Deputy Director of Preservation Programs. She then introduced Joanna Hejl, recently hired as Virginia 250 Grants Administrator. She also noted that Jess Hendrix, previously DHR's Tribal Outreach Coordinator, has now moved into the role of Tribal Liaison. Director Langan noted that a number of vacancies remain, with several positions actively under recruitment.

Director Langan went on to discuss her focus over the last several months on the upcoming January 2025 General Assembly session. She noted that DHR continues to work closely with Preservation Virginia on realizing legislative priorities. She then provided an update on DHR's three budget requests for the upcoming session. The

priority is a request for general operations support, which the agency has not received in a number of years. Director Langan noted that currently only 1.5-2% of the agency's budget remains after covering operating costs, and that most new funding received in recent years has been primarily targeted toward grants. The second request is for Information Technology funding to facilitate the integration of DHR's two standalone database systems, VCRIS and ePIX, while the third request is for funding to support DHR's ongoing NAGPRA compliance efforts.

Director Langan concluded by updating the Boards on some of the agency's major projects and achievements over the last year. She noted DHR's ongoing role in the removal and relocation of the Confederate Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery. She also highlighted the adoption of WebGrants within the department, as well as ongoing enhancements to VCRIS. She noted that the agency has recently certified the largest project in the history of DHR's Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program – the Homestead in Bath County. She also highlighted the recent hiring of Roger Kirchen as Deputy Director of Preservation Programs and the approval of regulations for contextualization of monuments or memorials, both the culmination of years-long efforts. She stated that the Barbara Rose Johns statue for the National Statuary Hall at the U.S. Capitol is near completion, with a dedication planned for 2025. Finally, Director Langan noted the increasing role of grant programs within the agency as specialized funding continues to become available.

### **Public Comment**

Chair Jorjani introduced and explained the purpose of the public comment period and noted that speakers are asked to limit their remarks to three minutes. She added that the BHR will not take action on any comments presented today but DHR will take the comments under consideration. She requested that speakers limit their comments to a span of three minutes. She added that a second comment period will occur when the BHR meets this afternoon to review Highway Marker and Easement program materials.

Five people signed in to speak in person; two subsequently declined. Two persons attending virtually registered to speak:

- 1. Joseph Beddow, owner of property adjacent to Criglersville Elementary School, spoke in opposition to the nomination of the school, citing concerns about zoning and the property's location within the flood plain.
- 2. Harry Yeager, archaeologist, spoke about concerns at Kittiewan, a historic property in Charles City County and headquarters of the Archaeological Society of Virginia, including threats to potential burials of Union troops on the site, many likely African American.
- 3. Mark Reed, historic preservation planner for Virginia Beach, spoke on behalf of the nomination updates for Keeling House, Lynnhaven House, Francis Land House, and Pembroke Manor. He thanked the Boards and DHR staff, particularly Joanna McKnight and Amanda Terrell, as well as project consultants Deb McClane, Kristin Kirchen, and Rob Taylor. He noted that the updates were funded by DHR's Certified Local Government Grant program and were part of a broader preservation plan also developed with funding from DHR grants.
- 4. Elizabeth Nowak, historic preservation officer for the City of Norfolk, spoke in support of the Berkley North Historic District Additional Documentation and Boundary Decrease on behalf of the City's Architectural Review Board.
- 5. Faith Hamann, preservation planner for the City of Norfolk, spoke in support of the Berkley North Historic District Additional Documentation and Boundary Decrease.

Deputy Director Williams thanked everyone who spoke today, noted that their comments will receive careful consideration, and said that the public comment period is concluded.

Deputy Director Williams called for a brief break at 10:45 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:52 a.m.

### **NOMINATIONS**

### **Eastern Region**

- 1. Belmead Additional Documentation and Boundary Increase, Powhatan County, DHR File No. 072-0049 Δ<sup>^</sup>
- 2. James Minor House, City of Charlottesville, DHR File No. 104-5951 \*\*
- 3. Berkley North Historic District Additional Documentation and Boundary Decrease, City of Norfolk, DHR File No. 122-0824  $\Delta$  \*\*
- 4. Keeling House Additional Documentation, City of Virginia Beach, DHR File No. 134-0018 \*\*
- 5. Pembroke Manor Additional Documentation, City of Virginia Beach, DHR File No. 134-0026 \*\*
- 6. Francis Land House Additional Documentation and Boundary Decrease, City of Virginia Beach, DHR File No. 134-0031 \*\*
- 7. Lynnhaven House Additional Documentation and Boundary Decrease, City of Virginia Beach, DHR File No. 134-0037 \*\*

Ms. Joanna McKnight presented nominations 1 through 7 as a block.

Chair Jorjani requested a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations as presented. Vice-Chair Rutherford moved that the nominations be approved. Dr. Spivey seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nominations as presented.

Chair Mullen requested a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations as presented. Dr. Smith so moved, and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nominations as presented.

# **Northern Region**

- 1. Mint Spring Tavern, Augusta County, DHR No. 007-0128
- 2. Criglersville Elementary School, Madison County, DHR File No. 056-5067
- 3. Ivy Hill Cemetery, City of Alexandria, DHR File No. 100-0203 \*\*
- 4. Triplett High and Graded School, Town of Mount Jackson, Shenandoah County, DHR File No. 265-0004-0122

Ms. Aubrey Von Lindern presented nominations 1 through 4 as a block.

Chair Jorjani asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations as presented. Dr. Spivey so moved, and Mr. Townes seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Northern Region nomination as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations as presented. Dr. Klee so moved, and Dr. Breen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Northern Region nomination as presented.

### **Western Region**

1. Cedarbrook Elementary School, City of Danville, DHR File No. 108-6195 \*\*

Mr. Michael Pulice presented the sole nomination from the Western Region.

Chair Jorjani asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nomination as presented. Mr. Bosket so moved, and Vice-Chair Rutherford seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nomination as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nomination as presented. Dr. Breen so moved, and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the nomination as presented.

Chair Jorjani asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Mr. Townes so moved, and Mr. Bosket seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Dr. Klee so moved, and Dr. Breen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

The joint meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

**Register Summary of Resources Listed:** Historic Districts: 2

Buildings: 9 Structures: 0

Sites: 1 Objects: 0 MPDs: 0

### **BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES**

Halsey Family Lecture Hall, Virginia Museum of History and Culture 428 N Arthur Ashe Blvd, Richmond, VA 23220

### **Board of Historic Resources Members Present:**

Aimee K. Jorjani, Chair Ken Rutherford, PhD, Vice Chair Jamie Bosket Trip Pollard Ashley Spivey, PhD Martin Townes

### **Board of Historic Resources Members Absent:**

Mary Pope Hutson

# **Department of Historic Resources (DHR)**

### **Staff Present:**

Julie Langan, Director Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director Kyle Edwards

Joanna Wilson Green Elizabeth Lipford Dr. Jennifer Loux Brad McDonald Megan Melinat Wendy Musumeci\* Jennifer Pullen Karri Richardson

\*denotes virtual attendance

### **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Corey Scott, Assistant Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General Wesley Morgan, Office of the Attorney General

### **Guests Present from Attendees List at Meeting:**

John Dorman Lee Houston Stephanie Richardson

# **Guests Registered in Teams:**

Jonathan [no last name provided]
Allison Mueller
Daniel Lee
Audrey Davis

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jorjani called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Jorjani read the Board of Historic Resources Call to Order and invited those Board members present to introduce themselves: Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Spivey, Mr. Townes, Mr. Bosket and Chair Jorjani.

Chair Jorjani read the following Land Acknowledgement Statement:

The Department of Historic Resources, the Board of Historic Resources, and the State Review Board acknowledge the indigenous peoples of Virginia and express its gratitude for their continued stewardship of her lands and waterways over many generations. We also acknowledge the free and enslaved Africans and their descendants whose labors and contributions on behalf of the Commonwealth have long been overlooked. We commit ourselves to meaningful engagement with all Virginians, past and present, as we strive to fulfill our charge as stewards of Virginia's long and rich history.

Chair Jorjani read the following BHR Purpose Statement:

The Virginia Board of Historic Resources is an official policy-making board of the Commonwealth of Virginia created by the Code of Virginia. Its policies are implemented by the Department of Historic Resources, which day in and day out labors on behalf of our irreplaceable resources in the interest of the citizens of this Commonwealth. The Board is charged primarily with the responsibility for:

- 1. Designating historic landmarks of local, statewide, or national significance;
- 2. Establishing historic preservation practices for the care and management of our Virginia Historic Landmarks;
- 3. Designating state-recognized historic districts and archaeological sites and zones;
- 4. Approving historical highway markers;
- 5. Reviewing programs and services of the Agency, and making recommendations to the Director of DHR and the Governor regarding programs and services; and in order to preserve important sites and buildings in perpetuity; and
- 6. Accepting voluntarily granted gifts of preservation easements over historic properties to the Commonwealth.

The Governor of Virginia selects members of the Board from volunteer and professional leaders of Virginia's history, preservation, and museum communities. Votes taken during this meeting are official actions of the Commonwealth of Virginia Board of Historic Resources.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

John Dorman spoke in favor of the marker application for the Moore Street Missionary Baptist Church Historic Marker, which is proposed to be considered for approval at the March 2025 Board of Historic Resources meeting.

Chair Jorjani thanked the speaker for his comments.

The Public Comment agenda ended at 1:10 p.m.

#### HIGHWAY MARKERS

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following seven (7) New Markers as a block.

### **New Markers**

### 1. Mahone's Tavern

Sponsor: Mahone's Tavern & Museum, Inc.

Locality: Southampton County

Proposed Location: 22341 Main Street, Courtland

### 2. Riverhill Baptist Church

Sponsor: Riverhill Baptist Church

Locality: Grayson County

Proposed Location: Intersection of US 58/US 221 and Beech Grove Lane (Route 623)

### 3. Danville Riot/Danville Massacre, 1883

Sponsor: Danville Research Center for African American History and Culture

Locality: City of Danville

Proposed Location: 322-326 Main Street

#### 4. Colored Rosemont

Sponsor: Office of Historic Alexandria

Locality: City of Alexandria

Proposed Location: 1312 Wythe Street

### 5. Arthur Taubman (1901-1994)

Sponsor: Nelson Harris Locality: City of Roanoke

Proposed Location: 200 block of McClanahan Avenue

### 6. Korean Americans in Northern Virginia

Sponsor: Annandale Rotary Club

Locality: Fairfax County

Proposed Location: Little River Turnkpike (Route 236) at intersection with Ravensworth Road

### 7. Beulah Marshall Munford Wiley (1923-1987)

Sponsor: Harry Marshall Locality: Buckingham County

Proposed Location: 25892 North James Madison Highway

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members questioned an edit to the Mahone's Tavern marker language regarding Mahone's role in the founding of Virginia State University ("VSU"). Dr. Loux confirmed that Mahone was not a founder of VSU.

With a motion to approve New Markers #1-7 by Mr. Pollard and a second from Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following five (5) Replacement Markers:

# **Replacement Markers**

### 1. Alleghany County Z-78

Sponsor: Alleghany County Locality: Alleghany County

Proposed Location: Falling Spring Falls, US 220 near intersection with Route 640

### 2. Bath County Z-78

Sponsor: Preservation Bath Locality: Allegheny County

Proposed Location: Falling Spring Falls, US 220 near intersection with Route 640

### 3. Fort William D-29

Sponsor: VDOT

Locality: Botetourt County Proposed Location: TBD

### 4. Bishop William McKendress (1757-1835) UM-43

Sponsor: DHR

Locality: Cith of Emporia

Proposed Location: South Main Street (US 301) at intersection with Greensville Avenue

# 5. Oakwood Cemetery, Confederate Section SA-64

Sponsor: DHR

Locality: City of Richmond

Proposed Location: East Richmond Road at intersection with Oakwood Avenue

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members questioned an omission from the Allegheny County marker text. Dr. Loux confirmed that DHR marker staff worked closely with Allegheny County to revise the text, and it was the County that chose to omit the language from the previous marker.

With a motion to approve Replacement Markers #1-5 by Mr. Bosket and a second from Dr. Spivey, all members voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following list of applications under consideration for the March 2025 Board Meeting cycle:

## **Applications Under Consideration for March 2025 Board Meeting Cycle**

- 1. Garvey Movement in Newport News (City of Newport News)
- 2. First Baptist Church Bermuda Hundred (Chesterfield County)
- 3. Mount Level Baptist Church (Dinwiddie County)
- 4. Attucks Theatre (City of Norfolk)
- 5. Brookvale High School (Lancaster County)
- 6. Moore Street Missionary Baptist Church (City of Richmond)
- 7. AKA Upsilon Omega (City of Richmond)
- 8. Old Carolina Road (Loudoun County)
- 9. TransAmerica Bicycle Trail (Botetourt County)
- 10. Old Dawn (Caroline County)
- 11. The Rev. Robert Hunt (James City County)
- 12. Zion Baptist Church (City of Alexandria)
- 13. Shorter's Chapel A.M.E. Church (Northampton County)
- 14. Spring Hill (New Kent County)

Marker texts for applications #1-8 (Garvey Movement in Newport News, First Baptist Church Bermuda Hundred, Mount Level Baptist Church, Attucks Theatre, Brookvale High School, Moore Street Missionary Baptist Church, AKA Upsilon Omega, Old Carolina Road), will be presented at the March 2025 Board Meeting, and application #9 (TransAmerica Bicycle Trail) will serve as an alternate selection.

### Board Comments Summary: None.

With a motion to approve the Applications for the March 2025 Board Meeting Cycle Applications #1-8 and Alternate #9 by Dr. Spivey and a second from Mr. Townes, all members voted in the affirmative.

The Highway Markers portion of the agenda ended at 1:23 p.m.

### **BURIAL PERMIT UPDATE**

Ms. Wilson Green presented the following burial permit updates:

- Between June 14 and December 12, 2024, DHR issued 13 burial permits on behalf of the Board of Historic Resources.
- Nine were issued as anticipatory (no purposeful disturbance of buried human remains proposed).
- This brings the total number of permits issued in the past year to 23, with eight projects extended and 15 closed following completion of permit terms.

### **Recovery Permits**

- One permit issued to a private landowner to accommodate relocation of a small late 19th-early 20th century family cemetery that was later determined to have been moved, likely prior to the land being sold in the 1980s. No burials were identified.
- One permit issued to TC Energy for recovery of buried human remains on a large power station site, following the discovery of fragments in materials already removed to the laboratory for analysis. The permit was issued with the participation and full support of the Monacan Indian Nation, and consultation continues.
- One permit issued to Chesterfield County to accommodate recovery and relocation of twelve unmarked graves and one iron coffin discovered during road construction. The public process resulted in identification of ten potential descendants who have been instrumental in determining the parameters of the recovery and reinterment.
- One permit issued to accommodate relocation of two historic African American cemeteries outside of Danville, at the request and with the support of the descendant families.

### Civil War Interments, Powder Magazine, Colonial Williamsburg

- Permit issued following the discovery of four interments and one "surgeon's pit" behind and beneath the curtain wall.
- Anthropological analysis has determined that one of the intact interments represents a male in his 30s, another a male in his late 20s, and the remaining 2 interments are males likely less than 20 years of age. The limbs of at least two and possibly three other individuals were found in the surgeon's pit.
- Strontium isotope and DNA analyses are ongoing, with the hope of narrowing down the individuals' origins and possibly identifying living relatives.
- Stakeholders, including local citizens and representatives of Civil War organizations as well as the U.S. Army Department of Mortuary Affairs, have guided and approved these processes and have selected a reinterment site for the unknown individuals. All are scheduled to be reburied early next year.

Board Comments Summary: Board members praised staff's on-going consultation efforts with all involved parties.

The Burial Permits portion of the agenda ended at 1:28 p.m.

### **EASEMENTS**

### **New Easement Offers for Consideration**

Mr. Edwards presented the following new easement offers for consideration:

### 1. Diehl II Farm, Cross Keys Battlefield, Rockingham County

Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for  $\pm 124.168$  acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Diehl II Farm easement offer by the Virginia Board of Historic Resources subject to the following condition:

- 1. The existing Deed of Trust must be subordinated to DHR's easement prior to easement recordation.
- 2. SVBF is required to work with Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative ("SVEC") to locate any existing recorded or unrecorded easements for three undocumented utility lines located on the Property. If the utility easements are unrecorded or do not exist, SVBF will work with SVEC and Victory Hill Land, LLC to record new utility easements prior to recordation of DHR's easement.

3. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

### 2. Three Amigos Tract, Tom's Brook Battlefield, Shenandoah County

Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for  $\pm 51.3108$  acres

Proposed Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the Three Amigos Tract easement offer by the Virginia Board of Historic Resources subject to the following condition:

- 1. Receipt of an amended agricultural lease that includes DHR's standard subordination language.
- 2. Receipt of a revised (or new) boundary survey that includes DHR's standard survey requirements.
- 3. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

### 3. French Tract, Fisher's Hill Battlefield, Shenandoah County

Easement Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation

Offer for  $\pm 146.078$  acres

Grant Funding: American Battlefield Protection Program, Virginia Land Conservation Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends acceptance of the French Tract easement offer by the Virginia Board of Historic Resources subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Funkhouser House and Stone Outbuilding will be stabilized and secured, to DHR's satisfaction, within one year from the date of BHR approval.
- 2. Treatment of the remaining buildings/structures in the easement shall be consistent with any determinations of eligibility for listing on the historic registers per the Section 106 Review process associated with the American Battlefield Protection Program's Battlefield Land Acquisition Grant.
- 3. The Funkhouser family cemetery will be preserved and maintained according to a Cemetery Management and Maintenance Plan developed by DHR and incorporated into the easement by reference.
- 4. The agricultural lease, a memorandum of which is recorded among the Shenandoah County land records, must be revised or amended with DHR's standard subordination language, executed by all parties, and recorded in the Shenandoah County Circuit Court.
- 5. Subordination, to DHR's satisfaction, of the existing hunting license, a memorandum of which is recorded among the Shenandoah County land records. Such subordination may include, in DHR's sole discretion, additional documentation subordinating the hunting license to the historic preservation and open-space easement held by the Board of Historic Resources.
- 6. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easements, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

<u>Board Comments Summary</u>: Board members requested clarification as to why stabilization requirements were required and for which buildings. Mr. Edwards confirmed that stabilization is required for the Funkhouser House and the stone outbuilding because they have not been occupied for some time. Ms. Melinat added that SVBF does not have a long-term plan for the buildings and stabilization efforts will help prevent demolition by neglect.

With a motion to approve New Easement Offers for Consideration #1-3 as presented by staff by Mr. Pollard and a second by Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

# **Easement Offer for Reconsideration**

### 1. Ellen Glasgow House, City of Richmond

Easement Applicant: John W. Pearsall, III, Patricia Pearsall and Proman, LLC Offer for ±0.498 acres

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reapproval of the Ellen Glasgow House easement offer, subject to the following revised condition:

1. Final review of the title work, title commitment, survey, draft easements, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

<u>Board Comments Summary:</u> Board members asked for an explanation of what is meant by "reapproval". Mr. Edwards noted that these are projects previously approved by the Board and for which the Board's prior approval expired or the terms of the easement offer have changed. Board members requested confirmation that the new owner of the property will know about DHR's easement. Ms. Melinat confirmed that the current owner and his realtor have ensured potential buyers are aware of the easement and that its recordation is part of the sale transaction.

With a motion to approve the Easement Offer for Reconsideration as presented by staff by Mr. Bosket and a second by Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

### **Easements Recorded Since the September 2024 BHR Meeting**

Mr. Edwards briefed the Board about the following recently recorded easement:

### 1. Myer's Hill Tract, Spotsylvania Court House Battlefield, Spotsylvania County

Easement Donor: Central Virginia Battlefields Trust

Acreage:  $\pm 70.32$  acres

Recorded: September 27, 2024

Board Comments Summary: None

The Easements portion of the agenda ended at 1:50 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Jorjani thanked the Board members and noted that Board Training will occur at the March 2025 meeting.

With a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Bosket and a second by Dr. Rutherford, all members voted in the affirmative.

Chair Jorjani adjourned the meeting of the Board of Historic Resources at 1:52 p.m.

### **STATE REVIEW BOARD**

Collections Room, Virginia Department of Historic Resources, 2801 Kensington Ave, Richmond, VA 23221

### **State Review Board Members Present**

John Mullen, Chair

Dr. Jody L. Allen, Vice-Chair

Carol Shull

Dr. Larissa M. Smith

Dr. Eleanor Breen

Dr. Jeffrey E. Klee

### **State Review Board Members Absent**

Greg Rutledge

### **Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Amanda Terrell
Roger Kirchen, Deputy Director
Joanna McKnight
Michael Pulice
Aubrey Von Lindern
Austin Walker
Latoya Gray-Sparks\*
Mae Tilley

Angel Williams

Joanna Hejl

### **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

None

<u>Guests (from attendees list in Teams and sign-in sheets)</u>: Lena McDonald, Catherine Easterling, Alex Gottschalk, V. Cilento Johnson, Joe Shull

Chair Mullen called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. for discussion and consideration of the Preliminary Information Forms (informal guidance session).

The Preliminary Information Forms (PIFs) on the Consent Agenda were considered first. SRB members may request that PIFs on the Consent Agenda be switched to the meeting's Discussion Agenda. They also can email DHR staff with questions about any of the PIFs in advance of the meeting (emails between DHR staff and up to two SRB members do not violate the Virginia FOIA).

Dr. Breen requested that the PIF for Brighton in Mathews County be moved to the Discussion Agenda. The Board approved the remaining Consent Agenda by voice vote, with the following PIFs on this portion of the meeting's agenda. DHR staff provided written summaries of each PIF for review as a single block.

### **Consent Agenda:**

### **Eastern Region**

- 1. Antioch School, Mathews County, DHR File No. 057-5052 Δ \$
- 2. Park View High School, Mecklenburg County, DHR File No. 058-5573
- 3. First Presbyterian Church, City of Richmond, DHR File No. 127-8184 \*\*

<sup>\*</sup>denotes virtual attendance

### **Northern Region**

- 1. Northern Loudoun Roads Historic District, Loudoun County, DHR File No. 053-6572 \$ \*\*
- 2. Clover Hill, Rappahannock County, DHR File No. 078-0010

### Western Region

- 1. Motleys Mill Dam and Pond, Pittsylvania County, DHR File No. 071-6576
- 2. Mount Carmel Church and School, Grayson County, DHR File No. 038-5392

The SRB members approved all the PIFs on the Consent Agenda by voice vote.

Each of the PIFs on the Discussion Agenda was presented by DHR staff then discussed and voted on by the SRB members. The PIFs on the Discussion Agenda were all approved by voice vote, with additional comments noted where relevant.

### **Discussion Agenda:**

Eastern Region ......presented by Joanna McKnight

- Brighton, Mathews County, DHR File No. 057-5089
   Dr. Breen asked for additional clarification on the property's archaeological potential, noting that several identified archaeological sites were mentioned in the PIF. Ms. McKnight stated that the archaeological resources primarily fall outside the current boundaries of the property. Ms. Shull recommended additional information about Hollerith's association with and use of the property to justify the proposed inclusion of Criterion B. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 2. Pleasant View School, Chesterfield County, DHR File No. 020-0298 Δ

  The Board members discussed ways to illustrate that the school retains historic integrity despite being moved. Dr. Breen recommended including a map showing the school's original location and orientation relative to today, as well as historic photos and aerial imagery. Chair Mullen agreed that the school retains integrity despite the move. Dr. Klee noted that the building itself exhibits minimal loss of integrity and remains on its historic parcel. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 3. Camp Pickett Officers' Club, Nottoway County, DHR File No. 067-0110-0001

  Dr. Smith mentioned that she had recently visited the building, highlighting the excellent condition of the mural; Ms. McKnight noted that it had been fully restored. The Board members discussed the proposed statewide level of significance, which is justified by the building's rarity it is one of only a handful built, and one of only two still standing. Vice-Chair Allen asked about how the post's recent name change (to Fort Barfoot) would be handled in a nomination; Ms. McKnight noted that the new name would be included along with the historic name. The Board asked why only the officers' club, rather the entire post, was being brought forward. Ms. McKnight noted that previous survey and staff evaluation had determined that the installation lacked sufficient integrity as a district. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 4. Shockoe Valley and Tobacco Row Historic District Boundary Increase, DHR File No. 127-8182 \*\* Dr. Breen asked for clarification on the choice to update this district rather than the previously proposed St. John's Church Historic District. Ms. McKnight explained that the original property in question is more in keeping with the commercial and industrial character of the Shockoe Valley and Tobacco Row Historic District. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.

# Northern Region ......presented by Aubrey Von Lindern

- 1. Gano House, Frederick County, DHR File No. 034-0185

  Dr. Klee expressed the immediate need for some sort of roof to protect the log building, noting the significant amount of historic material that still survives. Dr. Breen asked about the threshold for evaluating a resource as an archaeological site rather than a building/structure, given the current condition of the house. Ms. Von Lindern affirmed that the house still retains enough integrity to be evaluated as a building. Dr. Klee agreed, noting the rarity of the house and acknowledging that resources with less integrity are frequently added to the registers. Ms. Shull asked whether plans for rehabilitation into lodging would threaten the integrity and eligibility of the building; Ms. Von Lindern responded that the Secretary of the Interior's Standards allow for rehabilitation work to make a building habitable. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 2. Little Eldon, Rappahannock County, DHR File No. 078-5131 Dr. Klee asked why only Criterion C was being proposed for the property. Ms. Von Lindern agreed that there is potential for eligibility under Criterion B for Zephaniah Turner, Jr.'s role in the legal defense of Kitty Payne but did not feel there was sufficient information to commit at this point. Dr. Smith recommended exploring Criterion B for Turner's role as a state delegate and Speaker of the House during Reconstruction. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 3. Shingle Shanty, Rappahannock County, DHR File No. 078-5461
  Dr. Breen asked about the rarity of the Craftsman style in the local context of the property. Ms. Von
  Lindern noted that Shingle Shanty is a rare example in such a rural setting, relative to the nearby town of
  Culpeper where Craftsmen houses are more common. Dr. Klee noted that the house is a particularly
  sophisticated example of the Craftsman style, rather than an off-the-shelf bungalow or kit house. The board
  concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.

# Western Region ...... presented by Michael Pulice

- 1. Indian Knob School, Patrick County, DHR File No. 070-5199 Δ Vice-Chair Allen asked if anything was known about funding for the school's construction; she recommended looking at school board minutes for additional information. A. Terrell reminded the board about the forthcoming Multiple Property Documentation for non-Rosenwald African American schools that will assist with the nomination of these types of resources. The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.
- 2. Lucy Addison High School, City of Roanoke, DHR File No. 128-6480  $\Delta$  \*\* The board concurred with the staff evaluation committee's recommendations regarding eligibility.

Chair Mullen adjourned the SRB meeting at 3:36 p.m.

- \* Cost Share Sponsored Project
- \*\* Certified Local Government
- \*\*\* Certified Local Government Grant Sponsored Project
- ☐ Associated with African American History
- # Associated with Virginia Indian History
- ^ ESHPF Grant-Funded Project
- % State Stewardship
- > National Park Service Grant-Funded Project
- Sponsored by Local Government (no grants utilized)
- < Threatened Sites state grant
- { African American Outreach state grant
- National Trust for Historic Preservation private grant
- BIPOC application
- \$ Associated with a Multiple Property Documentation Form