

**Electronic meeting  
Fairfax County History Commission  
November 4, 2020**

The Fairfax County History Commission conducted a wholly electronic meeting on November 4, 2020.

**Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Before proceeding, she read the following script:

*To conduct this meeting wholly electronically and to effectuate both the emergency procedures authorized by FOIA and the Emergency Ordinance, this Board needs to make certain findings and determinations for the record. It's a bit cumbersome, so I ask you in advance for your patience.*

**Audibility of Members' Voices**

The Chair then read the following statement:

*First, because each member of this Board is participating in this meeting from a separate location, we must verify that a quorum of members is participating, and that each member's voice is clear, audible, and at an appropriate volume for all of the other members. Accordingly, I am going to conduct a roll call, and ask each board member participating in this meeting to state your name and the location from which you are participating. I ask that each of you pay close attention to ensure that you can hear each of your colleagues. Following this roll call, we will vote to establish that every member can hear every other member.*

**Roll Call**

The Chair proceeded to conduct a roll call as follows:

**Commissioners Present per Districts:**

**Location**

Mary Lipsey	Springfield
Gretchen Bulova	Fairfax
Carole Herrick	McLean
Greg Wilson	Great Falls
Elise Murray	Vienna
Barbara Naef	Reston
Anne Stuntz, Chair	Vienna
Steve Sherman, Secretary	Franconia
Phyllis Walker Ford	Clifton
Barbara Peters, Treasurer	Annandale
Anne Barnes	M. Vernon
Sallie Lyons	Colchester
Tammy Mannarino	Mt. Vernon
Sue Kovach Shuman	Fairfax
Lynne Garvey-Hodge	Fairfax County

Jordan Tannenbaum, Vice-Chair  
Esther McCullough  
Cheryl-Ann Repetti  
Bob Beach

Fairfax  
Herndon  
Centreville  
Fairfax

**Commissioner Absent**

David Meyer

**County Liaisons Present:**

Elizabeth Crowell, Stephanie Langton, Fairfax County Park Authority; Laura Wickstead, Virginia Room, Denice Dressel, Fairfax County Dept. of Planning & Development, Winifred A. Clement-Nelson, Clerk to the Board.

**Guest Staff Present**

**None**

At this point, the Chair passed the virtual gavel over to Vice Chair Tannenbaum, so that she may be heard to make a voice vote:

Regarding audibility of members' voices, a motion was made by Commissioner Stuntz, seconded by Commissioner Tannenbaum, that **the History Commission satisfies that each member's voice can be adequately heard by each other member of this Board.**

A vote was taken on the motion verifying audibility of History Commission members' voices, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Need for Electronic Meeting**

The Chair read the following statement:

*Haven established that each member's voice may be heard by every other member; we must next establish the nature of the emergency that compels these emergency procedures, the fact that we are meeting electronically, what type of electronic communication is being used, and how we have arranged for public access to this meeting.*

Therefore, a motion was made by the Chair, seconded by Commissioner McCullough, **that the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for this Board to physically assemble and unsafe for the public to physically attend any such meeting, and that as such, FOIA's usual procedures, which require the physical assembly of this Board and the physical presence of the public, cannot be implemented safely or practically. I further move that this Board may conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated telephone line, and that the public may access this meeting by WebEx Virtual Meeting,**  
**Attendee Call In: 1-408-418-9388 Event Number: 173-699-1512**

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Need to dispense with FOIA's Usual Procedures to Assure Continuity in Government/Continue Operations**

The Chair read as follows:

*Finally, it is next required, and the Chair moved, **that all of the matters addressed on today's agenda must address the State of Emergency itself, are necessary for continuity in Fairfax County government, and/or are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations and the discharge of this Board's lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.***

The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCullough, and it carried unanimously.

### **Chairman's Remarks**

The Chair Remarkd as follows:

- Wave or raise hands if assistance is needed or by using the raise-hand function, if available.
- Speak up loudly or use chat function for questions.
- Chair asked Ms. Dressel to open December meeting at 6:30 for potluck before the regular meeting.

### **Approval of the Minutes October 7, 2020**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, Seconded by Commissioner Lipsey, **to approve the History Commission Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2020, as written and to pay the clerk.**

A vote was taken; the motion carried, and the Minutes were approved unanimously as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report – Commissioner Peters Reported:**

The Treasurer's reports for the periods ending August 31, September 30, and October 31, respectively, are shown below:

- Period Ending October 31, 2020
  - Ending Balance: \$78,073.30
  - Park Authority Conference Acct. Bal.: 2,563.33
- Period Ending September 30, 2020
  - Ending Balance - \$78,582.84
  - Park Authority Conference Acct. Bal.: 2,563.33
- Period Ending August 31, 2020
  - Ending Balance \$79,637.23
  - Park Authority/Conference Acct. Bal.: 2,546.13

The entire treasurer's Report will be submitted with the November Minutes.

**Unfinished Business**

**Confederate Names Committee (CNC) – 6.23.20 Board Matter – Commissioner Naef, Chair, Reported:**

- Commissioner Naef asked for a virtual standing ovation for CNC members, several individual commissioners, and Chris Barbuschak, Denice Dressel, Liz Crowell, and other County staff for their continuous work with this project.
- The History Commission will vote on the final report being submitted to the Board of Supervisors at its December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. By that time, the report will have gone through the Chain of Review.
  - Dr. Crowell will review from historical perspective. County Attorney's office will complete the legal review; County Executive's office, the political.
- The report will post as NIP item on December 4. It will be presented to the BOS sitting as the Land Use Policy Committee on December 8.
- The report is currently in review. The current draft dated October 30, 2020, is incomplete. Denice Dressel, Commissioners Stuntz, and Naef continue to receive suggested edits and comments. All are considered but not all can be included.
- The challenge is to keep focus on the precise charge: a Confederate Names Inventory with appropriate documentation.
- Commissioners' review priority is the Project Results/Data in their District followed by any comments on the Executive Summary and the Background Narratives.
- To suggest edits, copy the section in question from the CNI draft report, use tracking, and send as a Word attachment to Ms. Dressel and copy Commissioner Naef. This approach eliminates need for Ms. Dressel to reformat.

**Association Drive/Soapstone Connector – Commissioner Tannenbaum Reported:**

Commissioner Tannenbaum gave a brief overview and explanation of the Section 4(f) process for the Association Drive project for the benefit of the new Commissioners. He then reported that he has received the Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for the Soapstone Connector from the Federal Highway Authority (FHWA). He noted that comments are due by Friday, November 27. Discussion was held regarding the need for reviewing and evaluating the alternatives provided by the FHWA, to decide which of the eight - nine alternatives are feasible.

Regarding a request for review of which of the alternatives are feasible, a motion, was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commission Mannarino, **that Commissioners Tannenbaum and Beach review the eight – nine alternatives provided and prepare a response for the History Commission Chair’s Signature, to the Federal Highway Authority on their proposed alternatives for the Association Drive/Soapstone Connector Project in Reston, VA.**

After discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Section 106 Policy Review – Commissioner Tannenbaum**

Commissioner Tannenbaum reviewed and made the following suggested changes to the Policy, as follows:

- Paragraph 2, Sentence 2, should be changed to read:  
FCC must comply with NHPA procedures for proposed facilities that may affect sites that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Paragraph 4, Sentence 3. Given a 30-day response time for comments, the History Commission should receive the information the same time it is received by DPD to allow for more response time
  - Discussion was held regarding not have a set pick up or delivery time for the History Commission Mail and how the situation could remedied.
    - Commissioners Peters and Shuman volunteered to pick up the Commission mail regularly.
- Paragraph 1, first bullet, of page 2, the Commission write a letter using regulatory language to read:
  - If there is no effect, a letter should be sent stating “No historic property affected”
  - “If there is an effect, the FCC will apply the ACHP’s Criteria of effect set forth in 36 CFR Part 800 to determine the nature of the effect.

After detailed discussion, the Commission agreed to make the changes suggested by Commissioner Tannenbaum.  
Denice Dressel suggested that the Commission could make this policy conform to the Consulting Party Policy, which it adopted recently.

## **New Business**

### **Civil War Trails Markers – Commissioner Lipsey Reported:**

- Commissioner Lipsey has compiled a list of Civil War Trails Markers in the county. Most were installed during the Civil War Sesquicentennial.
- Civil War Trails Executive Director Drew Gruber is asking the History Commission to sponsor some of the markers at \$200 annually to pay for maintenance/upkeep.
  - The concern would be that there would be a precedent set if the History Commission agrees to sponsor a marker. The purpose of the entire list was to be prepared in case owners throughout the county might ask the History Commission to sponsor markers on their property.
- Commissioner Lipsey reported she asked Mr. Gruber several questions including what type of written agreements would there be and what would happen if there was no one to sponsor the markers. His responses were there would be no written agreements and the text display would be removed and the marker base left standing.
- Commissioner Lipsey noted that there are many unanswered questions including:
  - Who could finance the sponsorship of the Markers?
    - The Board of Supervisors (BOS). History Commission (HC), Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA)
  - What type of written agreement would be required?
  - Who would be the parties involved in the agreement?
    - Property owner, BOS, HC, FCPA, Civil War Trails?

Commissioner Lipsey asked fellow Commissioners to submit additional questions to her by January 1, 2021.

## **Staff Reports**

### **Fairfax County Park Authority – Elizabeth Crowell Reported: Archaeology and Collections Branch**

- The Park Authority Bond Referendum passed. This includes funding for the proposed Collections facility: for archaeological projects and for the Resident Curator Program.
- Staff attended the virtual Past Forward: National Trust Conference; the virtual Archeological Society of Virginia annual meeting held over two weekends, the Council of Virginia Archaeologists fall meeting; two webinars from Stratford Hall on African American lifeways and a DAACs presentation from Monticello, among others. Topics across each of these platforms focused upon equity.
- Staff is working with FCCPA and descendants of people interred in an African American cemetery in Vienna.
- Archaeology and Collections Branch staff has prepared two loans of artifacts and associated documentation; one, a Contact Period assemblage, to Dr. Julia King from St. Mary's College of Maryland, and a second from an adjacent property to Sean Devlin at Mount Vernon.
- Staff is putting together a Scope of Work for further archaeology at Mount Air.
- Staff is working on several archaeological projects for Department of Public Works Environmental Services (DPWES).

### **Resource Management Division – Stephanie Langton Reported: Museum Collections**

- The Collections Manager submitted the October artiFACTS blog, which highlights a ballot box used in Pleasant Valley.
- The Collections Manager provided samples of legal documents about ownership transfers to Denice Dressel.
- Likely due the current situation, the Collections Manager continues to receive donation offers at a higher than average rate. Several relevant offers are pending acceptance.

### **Operations and Maintenance Projects**

- Staff continues to work with DPMM on preparing the RFP process for the Ash Grove Kitchen Stabilization project.
- The Oak Hill Virtual Tour with Channel 16 has been made available for viewing at [fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/oak-hill](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/oak-hill).
- Staff is working with WJE on treatment plans for the outbuildings at Sully Historic Site.
- A historic structure report and treatment plan for Mount Gilead is underway, with a draft report under review.

- A public waterline was installed at the Sears House, with archaeology onsite to monitor the work.

#### **Volunteers-HSVC**

- A volunteer event was held at Dranesville Tavern on October 10<sup>th</sup> to clean out metal materials from the basement and recycle.
- A volunteer clean up event is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> at Lanes Mill and for Banks House on December 12<sup>th</sup>

#### **Virginia Room – Laura Wickstead Reported:**

- Laura Wickstead attended the virtual annual conference of the African American Historical & Genealogical Society, as well as several genealogy webinars. She spoke about genealogy research to the McLean Newcomers & Neighbors Club via Zoom.
- Glenn Fatzinger, former History Commission member, donated papers of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, of which he was a founding member.
- Commissioner Murray was thanked for helping restart the effort to raise the remaining funds for the new film readers.
- The HC was thanked for the recent donation of \$1,000 for the new film readers. FYI - The George Mason Friends have recently voted to donate \$10,080 the remaining amount needed to purchase the film readers.
- Ms. Wickstead will be monitoring incoming History Commission mail and will email Commissioners Stuntz and Sherman about items that may require attention.
- At Ms. Wickstead's request, Chris Barbuschak recorded hours worked on the Confederate Names project. He has reached 179.

#### **Department of Planning and Development – Denice Dressel Reported:**

- **Confederate Names Committee, county-wide** – Staff will be working on editing the report now that the research is complete. The final report will be presented at the History Commission's December meeting. This is a change, as Commissioner Naef indicated.
- **Civil War Monuments at the Judicial Complex, Providence District** – At its October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Board of Supervisors voted to remove the Marr monument and donate the monument to the Stuart Mosby Historical Society which runs the Stuart Mosby Museum in Centreville. The Board voted to donate the two Dahlgren howitzers to the Manassas National Battlefield Park, and the VDHR marker will be returned to the state.
- **Hollin Hills Potential HOD, Mount Vernon District** - The Hollin Hills Work Group will be meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>. They are continuing to the review of the draft design guidelines. There will be a community-wide public meeting early next year. Staff will continue to update the Commission as more details become available.

- **Holmes Run Acres, Providence** - The next meeting of the Holmes Run Acres Work Group will be November 8<sup>th</sup>; the process for securing a contractor to prepare the design guidelines has begun.
- **Reston Survey, Hunter Mill District** – Staff received and reviewed the draft report of the Reston Architectural Survey. A clean version of the draft report will be posted on the Reston Survey webpage for public review and comment. We are looking to mid-December for the community meeting with the consultant for the survey results.
- **Soapstone Connector Section 106, Hunter Mill District** – DPD and the History Commission received the Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for the Soapstone Connector on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Comments are due by Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>

### **250<sup>th</sup> Celebration**

Regarding Commissioner Stuntz' question on the 250 celebration of the United States, Commissioner Bulova, who is on the committee, noted that she will have something to report after the first meeting scheduled for the middle of this month.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Nomination Committee for 2021**

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Carole Herrick, Chair; Robert Beach and Phyllis Walker Ford, presented the History Commission's nominees for 2021, as follows:

- Chair - Cheryl Repetti
- Vice Chair - Lynne Garvey-Hodge
- Secretary - Steve Sherman
- Treasurer - Barbara Peters

The Chair thanked the Nominating Committee for their work. She also thanked the nominees and noted that the Commission will vote on the slate of officers at the December meeting.

**Inventory – Commissioner Murray Reported:  
S.T. Terrett, Sr. House/Briarwood Farm House**

A motion was made by Commissioner Murray, seconded by Commissioner Naef, that the History Commission add the S.T. Terrett, Sr. House/Briarwood Farm House, to the Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites.

After discussion, a vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Inventory Committee will be meeting November 10.

**Budget Committee – Commissioner Murray Reported:**

Commissioner Murray submitted a simplified budget request for 2021, in the amount of \$21,013.

After brief explanation, a motion was made by Commissioner Murray, seconded by Commissioner Naef, that the History Commission approve the Budget Request of \$21,013.

After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Murray noted that she will be providing more information on the budget at the December meeting.

**Annual Report – Commissioner Murray Reported:**

Commissioner Murray read the names of those Commissioners who have not yet submitted their information for the annual report. She noted that she will put the report together with the draft she has already received.

**Marker Committee – Commissioner Lipsey Reported:**

- Commissioner Lipsey noted that she and Commissioner Walker- Ford are working on rewriting the text for the Carrolltown marker.
- Committee members are working on various other markers for proffers.
- The committee is still waiting for the County to approve the agreement that needs to be signed prior to ordering the James Lee Elementary School Marker.

**Ethnic and Oral History – Commissioner McCullough Reported:**

Commissioner McCullough reported that the committee has a meeting scheduled for November 19. They are still waiting for conversation with Channel 16 to kick off the Oral History Project. Commissioner McCullough noted that if she does not hear from Channel 16 by November 18 or 19, she will be contacting the committee members to move forward.

Commissioner McCullough requested that any questions and comments concerning the Oral History Project be directed to her.

**Resident Curator Program Updates – Commissioner Beach Reported:**

- The curator's upcoming projects at the Hannah P. Clark/Enyedi property includes installing sister joists in the cellar to strengthen first floor supports.
- Planning & Development staff are drafting the RCP lease for ServiceSource at Ellmore Farmhouse and working towards a BOS public hearing in February 2021. Upon BOS approval of the lease, ServiceSource will submit its Special Exception application for its proposed nonprofit use of the site. Full RCP lease commencement will be contingent on SE approval.
- The curator at Turner Farmhouse continues with improvements to the Farmhouse interior and will be re-submitting her Special Exception application shortly.
- Upcoming projects at the Stempson House include master bathroom renovation, painting interior trim and deck repairs.
- Staff continues to work with Park Operations to install utilities at the Barrett House. The septic system has been installed, with final tests and Health Department approval pending electricity install and connection which is currently underway.

**Bylaws Committee – Commissioner Barnes Reported:**

The Bylaws Committee met but did not have a quorum. There was discussion on many items, but nothing could be decided or voted upon. The next meeting will be held November 23, at 7:30 p.m.

**History Conference Committee – Commissioner Garvey-Hodge Reported:**

Commissioner Garvey-Hodge extended thanks as follows:

- Conference Committee members, Commissioners and staff.
  - Commissioners Tannenbaum, McCullough, Walker Ford, Wilson, Barnes, Lyons, Lipsey, Repetti, and County staff, including Dr. Elizabeth Crowell.
- Special thanks to the Honorable Mayor, David Meyer, Mike Irwin and Channel 16.

Commissioner Garvey-Hodge gave an overview of the conference and the agenda, as follows:

- Pre-recorded video – by Congressman Connolly and Board of Supervisor Chair, Jeffrey McKay.
- Patricia Wirth, Turning Point Suffragist Memorial (TPSM) Executive Director and Commissioner Beach, TPSM Architect will be presenting remotely. Anticipate no more than 20-25 minutes per presenter.
- Received trivia questions and answers for the conference.
- Lucy Burns Museum videos will be shown at lunch time.

- Commissioner McCullough will MC the afternoon program.
- Suffragist Mrs. Robert Walker will tell an abbreviated version of her story with her hope for the future.
- Evaluations will be done through e-mail.
- The link for live stream on the brochure has been corrected.
- Each presenter will get a copy of Commissioner Lipsey's book "Almost Forgotten Women: Yesterday's Headlines".
- All presenters will be wearing purple, white and gold sashes

Concerning approval of funding for the Mayo Stuntz prize, a motion was made by Commissioner Tannenbaum, seconded by Commissioner Herrick, **that the History Commission approve \$300 to be paid to the Friends of Historic Huntley Group as they receive Todi Carnes' Award, the Mayo Stuntz prize.**

After a vote the motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Commissioner Tannenbaum, seconded by Commission McCullough, **that the History Commission approve up to \$200 to pay for the special Plaques for presenters at the History Conference.**

A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously. This above motion was subsequently amended during discussion of Awards as follows:

A motion was made by Commissioner Garvey-Hodge, seconded by Commissioner McCullough, **that the History Commission amend the motion above to read that the History Commission approve up to \$500 to cover expenses for the History Conference, which would include the special plaques and other expenses.**

A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Awards Committee - Commissioner Garvey-Hodge Reported:**

Congressman Connolly and Board of Supervisor's (BOS) Chair McKay will be announcing all awards as follows:

- Mary Ann Hampton and John Ryan – Distinguished Service Award for creating a celebratory event, which was shared with the citizens & public of Shouse Village in 2019. Nominated by Commissioner Herrick.
- Heather Bollinger & Katrina Krempasky - for service to the History Community. Nominated by Greg Wilson.
- Todi Carnes (Mt. Huntley Viewshed). Mayo Stuntz Prize – Self-nominating.

The Chair and other Commissioners thanked Commissioner Garvey-Hodge for the hard work, especially this year because of the nature of the conference.

**Cemetery Preservation - Commissioner Lipsey Reported:**

- County staff is reviewing a draft MOU, which would establish a Friends group.
- In October, Commissioner Lipsey worked with three Daughters of American Revolution Chapters in cemetery preservation.
- Commissioner Lipsey is working with two scouts on Eagle Scout projects in cemeteries.

**Advocacy – Commissioner Herrick:**

Advocacy Committee did not meet.

**Commission Members Reports**

**ARB Report – Commissioner Murray Reported:**

**July, August, September and October Webex Meetings**

**Consent Items: Approved**

- ARB 20-CTV-01 Amendment- Proposal for modifications of previously ARB approved signage located at 5652 Pickwick Road, Centreville at Tax map 054-4((02)) B1. The property located within the Centreville Historic Overlay District. The ARB approved the initial application on June 11, 2020. Sully District.

**Action Items:**

- Approved: ARB 20-LOR-04- Proposal for Phase 2C Site Plan improvements for parking located in the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Area, tax map numbers 107-1-((09)). The ARB approved previous site plans related to parking in March 2020 (ARB 20-LOR-01). Mount Vernon District.
- Approved with Conditions: ARB 20-LOR-05- Proposal for architecture for grocery store anchor site located in the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Area, tax map numbers 107-1-((09)). This site is located within the penitentiary wall on the eastern side of the retail commercial area and is under contract to LIDL. Mount Vernon District

- Approved with conditions: ARB 20-LOR-06- Proposal for architecture for retail building on western side of Penitentiary area located in the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Area, tax map numbers 107-1-((09)). Conceptual architecture was reviewed and approved by the ARB in 2014 (ARB-14-LOR-04). Mount Vernon District.
- Approved: ARB 16-LOR-07 Amendment- Proposal to amend the previously approved Comprehensive Sign Plan for the Liberty Development, located in the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Area, tax map numbers 107-1 ((09)). The proposal includes the addition of four freestanding signs in the commercial area of the development. Mount Vernon District
- Approved: ARB-05-LFK-02 Amendment- Proposal for exterior modifications to a single-family residential dwelling located at 1000 Dogue Hill Lane, tax map 22-3 ((08)) 0004A. The applicant is proposing modifications including raising the primary roof height, bridging the end facing gables at each side as viewed from the front/street elevation, a new 1-story rear yard addition, and a 1-story side yard addition. Dranesville District.
- Approved: ARB-20-LOR-08- Proposal for modifications to building H-40 near the Workhouse Area located in the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Area, tax map numbers 106-4 ((01)) 0058. The applicant proposes to replace the entire roof due to recent storm damage and other associated modifications. Building H-40 is contributing structure to the DC Workhouse and Reformatory National Register Historic District. Mount Vernon District.

**Workshops:** - Does not include workshops where the item was subsequently approved

- ARB 20-PHC-01- Proposed addition of accessibility ramp to the exterior of the Pohick Church, located at 9315 Richmond Highway, Lorton, tax map # 108-1 (1) 27 in the Pohick Church Historic Overlay District. The applicant proposed to install a permanent ADA ramp for safe access to the church. Mount Vernon District.

**Presentations:**

July: Update on Massey Complex Master Plan, Ellen Van Hully-Bronson and Kim Callahan, Capital Facilities

September and October: Historic Overlay Districts Design Guidelines Rewrite Update, EHT Traceries- Sarah Vonesh, Laura Hughes and Katherine Wallace

Commissioner Murray reported further:

- She attended the annual National Trust Conference virtually on behalf of the History Commission, and added that it was an excellent conference. She noted that other County staff also attended.
- She represents the History Commission on two workgroups:
  - **Hollin Hills Potential Historic Overlay District Work Group Meeting** – Gave update on Hollin Hills and reported that she attended their last meeting on November 2. She said she will be attending the next meeting scheduled for November 16.

- **Homestead Acres**

At the last meeting her internet connection died and she has not had an opportunity to watch the meeting.

- After this month, she will not be attending any of these groups and will be turning them over to Denice Dressel.

**Website – Commissioner Repetti Reported:**

- The conference flyer has been posted to the web and access is available to all.
- Thankful that an error was caught in time and corrected before the information was posted on the website.
- Asked Commissioner Sue Kovach Shuman for her bio for submission on the website.

**Fairfax City Report – Commissioner Meyer**

No report was made on Fairfax City, as Commissioner Meyer did not attend the meeting.

**Announcements**

Commission Stuntz announced that she attended one free session of the National Trust's virtual annual meeting and listened to Mayor Levar Stoney discuss confederate monuments and African American history in Richmond.

Commissioner Lyons reported that Indian Springs was demolished in October, and Lebanon Barn is being deconstructed. However, it will be reconstructed in West Virginia. She said she suggested they do a historical marker.

Commissioner Shuman gave a brief introduction of herself:

- Thrilled to be here and hope to contribute in a positive way to the History Commission.
- Has lived in Providence District off and on since 1976.
- Excited about things like Briarwood Farms and other things happening.
- Has a certificate in Public History and Historic Preservation.
- Working in Alexandria on documentation for the Murray-Dick-Fawcett House.
- Has a book coming up on Mantua, Virginia.
- Has worked for four newspapers, including 20 years at *The Washington Post*.
- Thanked all for welcoming her and she hopes to contribute a lot to the Commission.

Commissioner Naef announced that she attended the Virginia Africana first Zoom conference. She noted that Commissioner Walker Ford is involved with this organization.

Commissioner Walker Ford noted that the Virginia Africana video is on the Virginia Humanities website and on Facebook for Virginia Africana. She encouraged all to watch it.

Commissioner Garvey-Hodge reported:

- She is encouraging the Town of Clifton to install a historic marker to honor African-American legacy.
- She announced that Kim Brace's wife passed suddenly a week ago.
- Commissioner Wilson dropped off the *Welcome to the History Conference* banner to Channel 16 today.
- Commissioners Herrick and Repetti have agreed to take up the verbiage writing for the other two plaques that need to be written.

Commissioner Mannarino reported on Mt. Vernon Regional Historical Society first in-person event since March. Glen Fatzinger was the speaker. They will be having another event this month at Fort Hunt. Any Commissioner interested in attending the meeting should let her know.

Commissioner Stuntz reported that Historic Vienna held its first program on Zoom this month, and it was on African American History in Vienna.

Commissioner Lipsey reported that she made three virtual presentations recently

- Fairfax Genealogical Society- Cemetery Preservation
- Sons of American Revolution- Rescue of Mount Vernon
- Ravensworth Subdivision- 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary

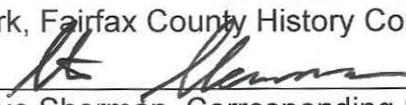
The Chair reminded all not to forget the potluck for the December meeting at 6:30 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business to discuss, the November 4 2020, History Commission Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Winifred A. Clement-Nelson  
Clerk, Fairfax County History Commission

  
Steve Sherman, Corresponding Secretary  
Fairfax County History Commission

Date: 12/10/20

**December 2, 2020**

**Fairfax County History Commission**

**Treasurer Report**

**FOCUS Account as of November 30, 2020**

**Beginning balance: November 1, 2020** **\$ 78,073.31**

**Revenue:**

10/31/2020	Budget Adjustment	\$ 50.12
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**Expenses:**

11/5/2020	Virginia Room Donation	\$ 1,000.00
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11/16/2020	Business cards, Garvey-Hodge	\$ 10.01
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11/20/2020	Minutes 10/7/2020 Winifred Clement-Nelson	\$ 515.00
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11/20/2020	FICA & Medicare	\$ 39.40
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**Ending balance: November 30, 2020** **\$ 76,559.02**

**Park Authority/History Conference Account**

**Balance (9/31/2020)                    \$ 2,563.33**

**Submitted by: Barbara Peters, FCHC Treasurer**