

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2008
5:00 PM

The Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board met in their regular monthly meeting on the above date in the Old Boone County Clerk's Building behind the Administration Building.

- I. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Fox at 5:05 PM.
- II. **Roll Call** Review Board members present were Chair Pat Fox, Rick Duncan, Bridget Striker and Pat Wingo. Also present were Matt Becher representing the Staff of the Boone County Planning Commission and Recording Secretary Jan Hancock.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** Ms. Striker moved to approve the minutes of the January 2008 Review Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Duncan and approved by all.
- IV. **Item Updates** Mr. Becher reviewed the Staff Report in regard to the Item Updates:
 1. ***Historic Boone County column*** No additional information.
 2. **Proposed Cell Tower Site on Miller-Owens Road (Duckhead vicinity)** Mr. Becher stated that the people who want to construct the cell tower were reluctant to pay the potential \$6,500 cost for mitigation, but they do not have much choice if they want to build the tower. The money will not be paid directly to this Board. Kentucky Heritage Council wants the funds to go to Preservation Kentucky, Inc.
 3. **Gaines Tavern Artifact Washing Workshop** Mr. Becher stated that artifact washing and cataloging have been completed and everyone has been paid. The Junior Curator in Archaeology Program (12 – 13 year olds) is proposed for the week of June 23. Jeannine Kreinbrink wants to get the children out there digging and show them how to do research. Mr. Becher believes that the Parks Department will help out and there will probably be a need for assistance from the Library. The next step is to contact Mayor Trzop. Ms. Fox stated that this is a good way to get young people interested in preservation. Mr. Becher stated that people have really enjoyed working on the Gaines Tavern project.
- V. **Items for Discussion and/or Action**
 1. **Review Board 2008 Action Plan** The Board reviewed the 2008 Action Plan and the Three-Year Action Plan.
 - (4) Woolper Creek Archaeological Survey – Ms. Fox stated that people need to know that the Survey is working for their benefit, not against them. She will talk with Sherry Hempfling at the Boone Conservancy about a possible partnership. Ms. Fox will update the Board at the next meeting.
 - (9) Riverboat Tour – Mr. Becher stated that Dave Whitehouse at the Parks Department can do the tour, but he needs to know how many people will be

involved. Mr. Becher stated that it could involve 40 – 50 people paying \$40 - \$50 each for a full day tour with lunch. Ms. Fox stated that Mr. Clare prefers the tour to be during Preservation Month. She recommended that the tour go close to Split Rock, which is a really different experience from the river. She suggested possibly getting close to the mouth of Woolper Creek and having a picnic. She will talk to Mark Jacobs about doing the tour in conjunction with the Open House at Split Rock. Mr. Duncan noted Mr. Clare's concerns about starting the tour in Covington and going to Split Rock because of the travel time involved. Ms. Fox stated that the tour could start at Split Rock or in Rabbit Hash. Mr. Becher stated that the tour can start anywhere that there is a loading ramp for people to get on. He stated that it could start in Petersburg. Ms. Fox questioned Aurora Ferry. Mr. Becher stated that Preservation Month may already be too busy. Ms. Fox will contact Mr. Clare for his thoughts.

- (10) Fundraising for Old Burlington Cemetery - Ms. Fox stated that the Ghost Walk will be an annual fundraiser.
2. **2008 Preservation Awards Nominees** The Board reviewed the list of Nominations that was sent out in the packets. Ms. Striker recommended the 1870 African American Baptist Church on Garrard Street in Florence, which is currently being used as a business called “Coffees and Cream”, for a Building Adaptive Reuse Award. She stated that they have incorporated a lot of the original building and salvaged pieces of the original stained glass windows, the podium and the crucifix. She also recommended Dan Moore for Moore Herre House (the last house at the end of KY 8) for a Building Preservation Award. He has done a good job plastering and should be recognized as someone who is serious about historic preservation. The plaque would draw attention to that fact that this is an historic home. The house is for sale. Ms. Fox questioned the “Richwood Community” for the Preservation Stewardship Award. Mr. Becher stated that the Board has to choose an entity to receive the award, and Richwood Presbyterian Church is a good choice. Mr. Becher will contact Stephen and Nicole Crim in regard to the Cemetery Preservation Award for Graves-Duncan Cemetery and find out what has been done there. Ms. Striker stated that she believes Richard Crisler has been involved and that he contacted Jerry Garbett about fixing the stones. For the 2008 Shirley Mann Memorial Heritage Education Award, Ms. Fox recommended Todd Young for a hands-on training series he did at Big Bone. The Board agreed. Mr. Becher will email the updated list of nominees to the Board members.
 3. **2008 Historic Bronze Plaques Recipients** The Board reviewed and approved the list of properties proposed for historic bronze plaques. Mr. Becher has funds to purchase 14 plaques, but he has a coupon for 20% off which will allow him to buy additional plaques. If someone on the list does not want a plaque, he will choose a replacement property from the list at the bottom. He will add the Clinton-Blankenbecker house, a 1920's house on U.S. 42 in Florence, to the list for a future plaque. Ms. Striker suggested adding a plaque layer to GIS. Mr. Becher agreed.
 4. **Western Wastewater Treatment Plant** Mr. Becher asked for clarification of how the Board wants proceed. Following discussion, Ms. Fox stated that this item will be tabled until the next meeting to allow time to get more information.
 5. **Fundraising for Old Burlington Cemetery** Ms. Striker moved to accept the \$1,400 leftover from the Kentucky Cemetery Grant for the Old Burlington

Cemetery Trust in addition to any fundraising done by Jan and Jerry Garbett. Mr. Duncan seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Mr. Becher stated that he spoke with David Whitehouse at the Parks Department about partnering on a mountain bike race scheduled for June 15, 2008. Ms. Striker moved that the Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board partner with the Boone County Parks Department to sponsor a bike race, the proceeds of which will go to Old Burlington Cemetery. Ms. Fox seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

6. **Review Board Monthly Packets** In the future, monthly meeting packets will be sent by email to reduce postage costs.
7. **Other Pat Wingo**, a new member of the Historic Preservation Review Board, introduced herself. She has a degree in history from the University of Cincinnati and was an Historic Preservation Officer in Newport. She is currently the City Coordinator for the City of Florence. Ms. Wingo replaced Mr. Bushelman as a member of this Board. Ms. Wingo was welcomed by the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Fox moved to adjourn. Ms. Striker seconded the motion and it was approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM. The next meeting of The Historic Preservation Review Board will be on March 13, 2008 at 5:00 PM in the Old Clerk's Building behind the Administration Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Hancock, Recording Secretary

Matt Becher, Rural/Open Space Planner
Boone County Planning Commission

Pat Fox, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board

Date