

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2016
4:00 PM

The Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board held their monthly meeting on the above date at the Main Library, Burlington Pike, Burlington.

- I. **Call to Order.** There being a quorum of the membership present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Wingo at 4:15 PM.
- II. **Roll Call.** Review Board members present were Chair Pat Wingo, Vice-Chair Bridget Striker, Secretary Tom Schiffer, Pat Fox, and Lisa Hoffman. Also present was Matt Becher representing the Staff of the Boone County Planning Commission and Matthew Webster, Boone County Government & Community Relations Coordinator.
- III. **Approval of Minutes.** Ms. Striker moved to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2015, Review Board business meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fox and approved unanimously.
- IV. **Item Updates and Items for Discussion and/or Action**
 1. **Historic Boone County Column.** Mr. Becher stated that Hillary Delaney's article about the Christmas season in Boone County in the late 19th Century appeared online in *The Boone County Recorder* on December 27. For January, Mr. Schiffer submitted an article about Walton's CCC camp, which Mr. Becher submitted earlier in the week. Ms. Wingo noted that this item would be discussed during the retreat, at which point topics and authors could be assigned.
 2. **Election of Officers for 2016.** Ms. Fox motioned to maintain the current officers for 2016 and Mr. Schiffer seconded. After brief discussion, the motion carried unanimously. The Review Board officers for 2016 are Chair Pat Wingo, Vice-Chair Bridget Striker, and Secretary Tom Schiffer.
 3. **Review Board 2016 Meeting Schedule.** Mr. Becher advised that the board holds regular business meetings on the second Thursday of 8 months of the calendar year. After brief discussion about potential conflicts with individual schedules, the board members reached consensus on the following meeting dates for 2016: January 12 (Winter Retreat), March 10, April 14, May 12 (Preservation Awards), June 9, September 8, October 13, and November 10. Ms. Striker added that the big room upstairs at the library has already been reserved for the Preservation Awards.
 4. **CLG Annual Report.** Mr. Becher stated that in order to maintain Boone County's status as a Certified Local Government, he is required to complete

periodic reports for the National Park Service and Kentucky Heritage Council. The NPS report is annual and simply asks for updates on numbers of inventoried sites, etc. The KHC requires a detailed report periodically (the last year was 2012) and a shorter "update" type report for most years. He is working on one of these updates for the last Federal Fiscal Year (October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016) for submittal in late January. This year, he has already collected the required information from individual board members relative to Historic Preservation "Information/Education" sessions attended during the period. He does not anticipate needing any further information from board members.

5. **2016 Preservation Awards Nominees.** Mr. Becher directed board members to the working list of nominees for 2016, saying that he would like to get the 2016 list fleshed out ASAP and ready for final approval at the board's April meeting. He asked whether anyone had suggestions for the 2016 awards. After some discussion, the following were added to the list: for Building Adaptive Re-Use, the Craig-Ewalt Log House site archaeology (Gray & Pape, Inc.) and under Preservation Project, the Craig-Ewalt Log House Relocation (the Wainscotts). A decision was also made to modify the format of the event this year, in part because none of the four major awards are likely to be given but moreso to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act. This year is also the 30th Anniversary of the Review Board's creation. While details were not finalized, there was discussion about bringing in a featured speaker to reflect on the last 50 years of historic preservation in the US.
6. **John C. Miller House/Piner Property Mitigation.** Mr. Becher reported that after many months of planning and negotiations involving the Review Board and numerous other parties, the mitigation plan for the Miller House was scrapped in early December. The main primary reason was related to deed restrictions associated with the funds used to acquire the property, which would not allow for a house lot to be carved from the larger property. There was also a timing issue relative to the Army Corps' permitting regulations, but this was lesser importance. All parties are now working on negotiating a new MOA that will only pertain to the loss of the barns on the property. The house will not be subject to this MOA. Mr. Becher said he would keep the board advised of any progress on the issue.
7. **Old Burlington Cemetery Trust Fund.** At their December 1 meeting, Boone County Fiscal Court agreed to allow the county's Finance Department to manage the cemetery trust fund, which has been managed at Huntington Bank for over 20 years. Mr. Becher's understanding is that Huntington Bank has (or will soon) send a check for the remaining balance of the fund to the county, which will then select a local bank to hold the funds. Based on the trust agreement between the Review Board and County, the Review Board will retain control over how those funds are dispersed.

There being no further business to come before the board, Mr. Schiffer made a motion to adjourn the business meeting and proceed with the retreat at 5:15 PM. Ms. Hoffman seconded and all present agreed. The next business meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board will be on March 10, 2015, 4:00 PM at Old Clerk's Building, Burlington.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew E. Becher, Rural/Open Space Planner
Boone County Planning Commission

Thomas Schiffer, Recording Secretary

Pat Wingo, Chair
Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board

Date