

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2007
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, Vice Chair Don Clare, Ted Bushelman, Rick Duncan, Bob Schrage, and Bridget Striker. 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 2007 Review Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schrage and approved by all those present. (Mr. Bushelman and Mr. Clare were not present).
- IV. **Item Updates** Mr. Becher reviewed the Staff Report in regard to the Item Updates:
 1. ***Historic Boone County column*** Mr. Becher distributed copies of *Silas Dinsmore served for Washington, Jefferson*, which is Part I of a five-part series written by Mr. Clare for the Historic Boone County column.
 2. **2006-2007 Review Board CLG Grant** Mr. Becher stated that Jeff Earlywine has signed the grant and he will submit it next week after he receives the letter of support from Mayor Trzop.
 3. **Other: Sister Courthouse in Bandara County, Texas** Mr. Becher showed pictures of the courthouse in Burlington (built in 1889) and an identical courthouse built in Texas in 1890. The courthouses were built according to plans designed by the McDonald Brothers. Benjamin Franklin Trester, who worked for the McDonald Brothers, paid \$5 for a copy of the plans for a courthouse they built in Illinois and sold the plans to Bandara County, Texas for \$15. Mr. Becher has been in contact with the people who are renovating the courthouse in Texas.
- V. **Items for Discussion and/or Action**
 1. **Review Board 2007 Action Plan and 3-Year Action Plan** The Board reviewed the 2007 Action Plan and made the following updates:
 - Step 1** - Mr. Schrage will let Mr. Becher know when he has a meeting scheduled.
 - Step 2** – Ms. Salsbury has come up with a list of questions and drafted a letter. Ms. Fox and Ms. Salsbury will meet and then present the information to the Board.
 - Step 3** – Mr. Becher stated that the 1883 Atlas Digital release came from the Kenton County Public Library. Ms. Striker will contact the library.
 - Step 4** – Mr. Becher and Ms. Fox will attend a Fiscal Court meeting in March to present the Action Plan for the year and review accomplishments of the previous year. Mr. Schrage will discuss with Jeff Earlywine.

Step 5 – Mr. Becher will arrange with Mr. Costello for the Planning Commission’s legal counsel to research the authority/autonomy issue.

Step 6 – Ms. Striker will work with Ms. Fox and they will make a presentation to the Board at the next meeting.

Step 7 – Mr. Schrage will discuss with Mr. Earlywine.

Step 8 – See discussion under Item 2 below.

Step 9 – Mr. Becher will check to be sure costs are correct. The Board does not want to make the request of Fiscal Court until after the presentation to Fiscal Court in March.

Step 13 – Mr. Becher will talk to Mr. Costello about the possibility of purchasing shirts for this Board the next time he buys them for the Planning Commission.

2. **Preservation Awards: 2007 Nominations** The Board reviewed the list of Nominations that was sent out in the packets. Ms. Striker stated that the Preservation Project (Mike Evans) should be called the Boone County African American Heritage Project. Mr. Becher stated that Mr. Clare submitted a list of candidates for awards. For Preservation Stewardship Awards, Mr. Clare nominated George Budig for the Richwood Road corridor and the Margaret Garner site. Following discussion, the Board agreed. The Board discussed the following nominations: The Stream Restoration of Big Bone Creek project (NKU) for a Preservation Stewardship Award. Mr. Bushelman is opposed as they are being paid for this project and NKU is associated with Campbell County. Mr. Schrage was also opposed. Other nominations: The Fort Ancient booklet the Board sponsored last year; a major award to Gwynn Henderson for the Fort Ancient booklet; Hopeful Lutheran Church (added an extension and kept the old church); William Conrad Award to Friends of Big Bone; Anne Fitzgerald Award to Kathy Calope at Dinsmore; Heritage Tourism Award to the Blackmores for Jane’s Saddlebag. Award suggested for the Mayor of Rabbit Hash. Award for the library next year after the new library opens. Mr. Clare stated that giving numerous awards increases awareness of this Board. Mr. Bushelman commented that giving out too many awards makes them less special. Mr. Becher suggested giving out 10–12 awards this year. Ms. Fox questioned the number of awards. Mr. Clare stated that there are guidelines. Mr. Schrage stated that if the guidelines and criteria for the awards cannot be located, he would like Mr. Becher to recreate them. Mr. Schrage stated that the program should be over in about 40 minutes depending on the number of awards. Mr. Becher stated that there are 15 plaques to present this year and there was discussion at the retreat about having people come up one at a time to receive them. Ms. Fox stated that in the past group pictures have been taken at the awards ceremony and displayed at the Fair, which also creates awareness. Ms. Fox stated that the Board will make decisions on the nominations in March. She asked the Board members to submit a list of nominees and a brief write up of why they should receive the awards and submit the list to Mr. Becher for discussion at the next meeting. The Awards Ceremony will be on Thursday, May 10 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. The regular meeting will be short and will begin at 5:00 PM. In the future, the Awards Ceremony will be regularly scheduled for the second Thursday of May each year.
3. **Boone County Historic Plaques: Proposed 2007 Recipients** Mr. Clare suggested adding Big Bone Methodist Church to the list, and Ms. Striker suggested

East Bend Methodist Church. Mr. Becher stated that it is possible that someone on the list may not want the plaque. Following discussion, Mr. Clare moved that Mr. Becher make the decisions regarding the plaque recipients. Mr. Duncan seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Schrage moved to adjourn. Mr. Duncan seconded the motion and it was approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM. The next meeting of The Historic Preservation Review Board will be on March 8, 2007 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