

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2006

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 5:03 PM.
- II. **Roll Call** Review Board members present were Chair Pat Fox, Vice Chair Don Clare, Ted Bushelman, Rick Duncan, Linda Salsbury 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** Mr. Bushelman moved to approve the Minutes of the July 2006 Review Board meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Salsbury and approved by all.
- IV. **Item Updates** Mr. Becher reviewed the Staff Report in regard to the Item Updates:
 1. **Ryle-Stephens Cemetery Cleanup** Mr. Becher stated that Ms. Striker and he will work with Mr. Schrage to select a date to go out to Ryle-Stephens Cemetery to map it, make a record of the graves and look at the gravestones. Mr. Schrage has GPS mapping capability. The adjacent property owner, Alice Ryle, has been good about letting people drive through her farm to get to the cemetery and he will let her know when they will be going to the cemetery. He will update the Board again in October.
 2. **Gunpowder Creek Archaeological Survey Project** Mr. Becher heard back from archaeologist Vince Versluis about the RFP. Mr. Versluis lives in Burlington. Ms. Fox stated that Mr. Becher will let the Board know when the work starts, which will probably be in November. It is rugged out there and it will be easier to see the ground in November. Regarding Gunpowder Creek Nature Park, Mr. Becher stated that unless the creek is dry, it will be difficult to get across to the property on the other side. He stated that the project will be educational and also provide some assistance. Volunteers willing to help with the fieldwork should contact Mr. Becher.
 3. **William Glore House, Big Bone Road** Mr. Becher stated that the lot that is being sold off by the new owner includes the historic barn with the log pen. The owner is not willing to donate it and wants to sell it. Mr. Clare stated that it is on the National Register as part of the site.

IV. Items for Discussion and/or Action

- 1. Statewide Preservation Conference (September 28 – 30)** Mr. Becher stated that after his written report was prepared, Butch Wainscott told him that the mobile workshop *The Patchwork of Boone County's Heritage Preservation* will be in Petersburg from 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM. The workshop will get to Rabbit Hash at 10:15 AM and be there 30 – 45 minutes. The workshop will then arrive in Walton at 11:30. Mr. Becher will arrange box lunches through Linda Padgett. He stated that the City of Walton does not yet own the house and is leasing it on a monthly basis until they can buy it. They have someone living on-site now. Mayor Trzop will have tables and chairs set up for the box lunch. Ms. Salsbury questioned registering for the tour. Mr. Becher stated that it is necessary to register in advance. Ms. Striker stated that the cost is \$25 and people can register on the website preservationkentucky.org. Mr. Becher will work with Ms. Striker on the details of the tour. He showed the Board a proposed logo to use for the Conference. If anyone has ideas or suggestions for future logos to make them better, they should contact Mr. Becher.
- 2. Historic Boone County column** Mr. Becher stated that the August column was an article about the Old Courthouse. In September, the column will be on Mr. Clare's article about William Clark.
- 3. Rice House, 2966 Gallatin Street, Burlington** Mr. Clare asked if there has to be a Public Hearing before the house is torn down. Mr. Becher responded "no" and explained that it is within the Burlington National Register Historic District, but anyone can buy any building in Burlington and demolish it. He stated that the new structure will be a group home for 3 or 4 adult men, but they are typically built so that they could be resold as a single-family house. He stated that The Point/ARC of Northern Kentucky intended to demolish the white bungalow across from the Justice Center, but someone on that board grew up in that house and did not want it demolished. Following discussion of houses in Burlington that have been demolished and the new subdivision that was built, Mr. Becher stated that since Burlington is unincorporated it is not possible to have a local district unless 100% of the people agree to it. He does not know if there is anything left at the Rice house worth salvaging. He has told The Point that this board wants to document the house and salvage whatever can be salvaged. Mr. Duncan will go with Mr. Becher at that time. Mr. Clare questioned moving the house. Mr. Becher believes they would allow the house to be moved. Mr. Clare asked Mr. Becher to tell them that this Board wants time to find someone to move the house once they make their application. Ms. Fox questioned The Point renovating the house and getting a tax credit. Ms. Salsbury stated that she wants the house and has a place on her farm to put it. She knows someone who moves houses. Mr. Duncan stated that she would have to pay the movers and put in a foundation, septic system, etc. Ms. Salsbury stated that she may be able to get volunteers and donations. She will see if it would be feasible.
- 4. Other** Mr. Becher showed the Board a picture he received of a courthouse in Texas that looks identical to the courthouse in Burlington, except that the one in Texas is sandstone. The courthouse in Texas was built in 1890 and the courthouse in Burlington was built in 1889.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Duncan moved to adjourn. Mr. Bushelman seconded the motion and it was approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM. The next meeting of The Historic Preservation Review Board will be on October 12, 2006 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