

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2008
5:00 PM

A quorum of the membership was not present for the Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board meeting on the above date in the Old Boone County Clerk's Building behind the Administration Building. Review Board members present were Chair Pat Fox, Vice Chair Don Clare and Pat Wingo. Also present were Matt Becher representing the Staff of the Boone County Planning Commission; Jan Hancock, Secretary; and guest Tim Williams, Assistant County Administrator.

The members present participated in a general discussion of:

1. **Riverboat Tour** – Mr. Clare discussed starting the tour at B&B Riverboats in Newport and touring the entire 35 miles of Boone County. He feels that there are too many important sites in the county for an abbreviated trip. At an estimated speed of 6 MPH, it would take about six hours to tour Boone County. The boat could leave Newport at 10 AM and return between 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM. The speakers would have an opportunity to talk about sites on the Kentucky side of the river in Ludlow and other areas along the way to Boone County. He would like Chuck Parrish, Retired Army Corps of Engineers historian, to be the emcee. He suggested that Bruce Ferguson and Virginia Bennett also be involved. He would like to do the tour in the fall. Lunch would be included and the trip would be well worth \$40 - \$50 a person. Ms. Fox questioned how to advertise the tour. Mr. Becher stated that it could go in "What's Happening in Boone County" which comes out three or four times a year. Mr. Clare stated that B&B Riverboats could advertise to their customers. He stated that it will not just be people who live in Boone County – there are many other people who will be interested. Mr. Clare will talk with David Whitehouse and get the project started. A date will be set for the fall, but it will depend on availability of the boat, speakers, and others involved. Ms. Fox questioned getting off the boat at Split Rock. Mr. Clare stated that there would be problems in getting on and off a large boat and there may also be insurance considerations. Ms. Fox stated that the riverboat tour may be very popular and it may be something that is done annually.
2. **2008 Preservation Awards Nominees** Mr. Becher stated that there will not be a Cemetery Preservation Award this year. He spoke with Nicole Crim and she indicated that they have more work to do and would prefer to get an award in the future. There were no other changes to the list approved at the last meeting.
3. **Florence Walking Tour** Ms. Wingo has a copy of the original documents with the original photographs (done by Betsey Conrad). Mr. Becher will make a copy and give one to Ms. Striker for the library. Ms. Wingo passed out copies of the Florence 175-year anniversary flyer/walking tour.
4. **Upcoming Events:**
 - **Preservation Awards Ceremony** will be on Thursday, May 8 at the new library on KY 18 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. There is usually a short business meeting before the event, but that will be discussed at the April meeting.

- **History of the Courthouse Talk** Mr. Becher will give a talk to the Boone County Historical Society on April 25 about the history of the Boone County courthouse. (Time approx: 7:00 – 7:30 PM).
- **Mountain Bike Race** Mr. Becher passed out copies of the flyer for the Race for the Graves on June 15, which will generate revenue for Old Burlington Cemetery.
- **Petersburg Heritage Days** will be on September 27 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. There is no admission fee. Dinsmore also has an event that weekend and they are cross-marketing (information provided by Mr. Williams).

The next meeting of The Historic Preservation Review Board will be on April 10, 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