

Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board
Meeting Minute
April 14, 2022
4:00 PM

The Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board held their monthly meeting on the above date in the First Floor Conference Room, Ferguson Center at the Historic Boone County Courthouse, 2988 Burlington Pike, Burlington.

- I. **Call to Order.** There being a quorum of the membership present, Chair Bridget Striker called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.
- II. **Roll Call.** Review Board members present were Chair Bridget Striker, Pat Berry, Pat Fox, Lisa Hoffman, and Tom Schiffer. Board member Shane Noem joined the meeting at 4:10 PM. Also present were Assistant County Administrator Matthew Webster and Boone County Planning Commission staff member Matt Becher.
- III. **Approval of Minutes.** Ms. Striker asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2022, Review Board business meeting. Ms. Fox made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Hoffman seconded and the motion was passed unanimously by those present.
- IV. **Items for Discussion and/or Action**
 - a. **Update on Current Developments and Planning Initiatives.** Mr. Becher reported that the **Florence Main Street District Study** was formally adopted by the City of Florence on March 8 and has been incorporated into Boone County's online Zoning Code. Ms. Fox asked whether anyone knew when the **Graves Road Interchange** construction would be completed. Mr. Webster replied that it should be done and all connections open by the end of summer, 2022. Regarding the **Zoning Regulations Update**, Mr. Becher noted that staff is in the process of meeting individually with legislative units and that public workshops will likely take place during the summer with adoption by the end of 2022.
 - b. **FY 2021-2022 Project.** Mr. Becher reported that he and Ms. Striker completed and submitted a grant application on March 4 to the Kentucky Heritage Council (KHC) requesting \$7,500 in CLG funding matched with \$5,000 from the Review Board/County. If awarded, the \$12,500 total will be used to revise the Dinsmore Homestead's existing National Register nomination to include African American heritage significance. Award notifications are expected sometime in May. Ms. Striker added that Dinsmore Homestead has been added to the National Network to Freedom based on documented escapes in the 1860s.
 - c. **2022 Preservation Awards (May 12).** Mr. Becher noted that everyone has seen the list of awardees in prior meetings and that there have been no

changes. Ms. Fox asked when it would be appropriate to submit nominations for 2023 awards. Mr. Becher answered that he keeps a running list and can begin listing potential 2023 nominees immediately. Ms. Striker added that the sooner adequate information is submitted the easier it is to evaluate a nomination. Mr. Becher reminded everyone that the Preservation Awards are slated to begin by 5:30pm on May 12, which should allow adequate time for the 4:00pm Old Courthouse historic marker dedication to wrap up.

- d. **CLG Continuing Education requirements.** Mr. Becher noted that the KHC's CLG Coordinator Orloff Miller will attend the board's June meeting and will make a presentation suitable for continuing education credit. He added that the Northern Kentucky Restoration Weekend is scheduled for May 20-22 and that he will forward information about it upon receipt.
- e. **Diversity and Inclusiveness.** Aside from the Dinsmore National Register nomination project mentioned above under Item B, there were no other updates for this topic.
- f. **Virtual Tours/Events.** Ms. Striker reported that Boone County Public Library (BCPL) staff are working on fall programming including a possible tour of Gaines Tavern. Separately, they are going to try and locate the suspected burials of enslaved persons believed to be somewhere in the north end of the property. Mr. Becher added that he can do a walkthrough of the Old Courthouse whenever BCPL's videographer is available.
- g. **Other Announcements. (1) BCPL updates.** Ms. Striker noted that the Local History & Genealogy Department will be getting an updated desk area soon. They are also applying for grant funds to install compact shelving for the conversion of the Main Library's Garden Level to an archival facility to receive records coming from the County Clerk's office; **(2) Private James Kay marker.** Mr. Berry reported that the SAR/DAR will dedicate a marker at Salem Baptist Cemetery for Revolutionary War veteran James Kay on September 10. Ms. Striker added that Judge Frohlich is working on a book to document the 50+ known Revolutionary War vets in Boone County.

V. Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Striker asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Berry made the motion to adjourn at 4:48 PM. Mr. Noem seconded and all agreed. The next business meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board will be June 9, 2022, 4:00 PM, in the Historic Boone County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Thomas Schiffer, Recording Secretary

Bridget Striker, Chair
Boone County Historic Preservation Review Board

Date