

Minutes
Manassas Historic Resources Board
November 6, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Manassas Museum

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Rob Fisher at 7:00 p.m.

Determination of a Quorum:

A majority of the board is present.

Board Members in Attendance: Dave Button, Rob Fisher, Connie Gilman, Mark Olsen, Jill Pascale

Honorary Board Members in Attendance: Sue Parker

Board Members Absent: Lyshawn Dean, Joseph Hanlin, Robert Keller, Don Wilson

City Council Member Liaison: Ken Elston, Council Member – Not Present

Museum Staff in Attendance: Jean Griffith, Administrative Associate

Community Development Staff: Elizabeth Via-Gossman, Director of Community Development

Approval of Minutes of October 2, 2018:

Mark Olsen moved to approve the minutes as written, and Dave Button seconded the motion. The chairman opened the floor for discussion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair's Comments:

Rob Fisher had been asked to write up a short letter updating what had been accomplished during the year for the FY2018 Annual Report. He shared what he had written with the members, asking them to review. The Annual Report will be presented to the City Council at the end of January.

Director's Report: Elizabeth Via-Gossman

Elizabeth Via-Gossman announced that some of the interactive children's exhibit panels are being installed and invited everyone to take a look at them. Ms. Via-Gossman handed out a goals review document for the board to review and use in the near future.

She also distributed the brochure and rack card for the Jennie Dean statue fundraising project.

Museum History and HRB Involvement Report: Sue Parker

Sue Parker gave a brief history of the origin of the first Historical Committee and how it became the current day Historic Resources Board. The first committee was established to celebrate the upcoming centennial of the town, and members opened a downtown storefront and collected a few artifacts to establish a museum for the event. The current museum building opened in 1991 after the

committee and the community concluded a successful fundraising campaign, and the museum continued to acquire more historic sites under its umbrella.

Council Comments: Ken Elston – Not present, no report.

Old Business: Manassas History Weekend

Liz Via-Gossman gave the board an overview of the cost to host this event and attendance at the event. The board engaged in some discussion about future alternatives. No recommendation was made.

New Business: Annaburg

Ms. Via-Gossman informed the board that negotiations are still under way for the city's purchase of Annaburg. If the purchase moves forward, the board will be a part of the master plan creation.

Close of Business:

Rob Fisher asked for any other business. No further business was brought forward. The next meeting is scheduled for December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Connie Gilman moved to adjourn the meeting and Dave Button seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.



Rob Fisher, Chairman

1-12-19
Date