

**FREDERICK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2022

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Gary Baker (Chair), Mary Thompson (Vice-Chair), Tyler Bastian, Hettie Ballweber, Blaine Hoffmann, Jack Lynch, Alec Davidson

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Amanda Whitmore, Historic Preservation Planner
Kimberly Golden Brandt, Director Livable Frederick
Thomas Sinton, Assistant County Attorney
Martha Berkheimer, Historic Preservation Intern
Anne Bradley, Ag. Preservation Administrator
Luz Padua-Perez, Department of Public Works
Karen James, Administrative Specialist

Mr. Baker brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and declared that a quorum was present. The following are summary minutes:

I) ROLL CALL

II) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The HPC reviewed the Minutes of the March 2, 2022 meeting. Mr. Bastian MOVED that the HPC APPROVE the March 2, 2022 minutes as submitted. Ms. Ballweber SECONDED the MOTION. The MOTION passed 5-0-1 (Mr. Hoffman absent at time of vote).

III) NEW BUSINESS

a) *Public Hearing:*
COA # 22-03 Lingularre Farm Frederick, MD

Applicant is seeking to install new fencing and replace existing fencing.

Staff presentation by Ms. Whitmore

Public Comment: None

Applicants were present and answered questions of the HPC. Ms. Ballweber suggested that the applicant save and document the location of any artifacts found during the installation of new fencing.

Ms. Ballweber MOVED to APPROVE COA # 22-03 for the Certificate of Appropriateness for the Linganore Farm CR #01-01 for the work proposed in the application. Ms. Thompson



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SECONDED the MOTION. The MOTION passed 6-0-0.

b) Peace and Plenty District Proposed Tiered Review Process

Ms. Whitmore provided a refresher on the project, and current work on the draft. Concerns were shared and addressed. Ms. Whitmore said the Maryland Historical Trust suggested considering a tiered review approach. She shared a map of the whole district and the historic farmsteads and answered questions from Mr. Lynch, Mr. Davidson and Ms. Ballweber. Ms. Bradley participated in the discussion and answered questions.

Public Comment: None

Ms. Ballweber MOVED to APPROVE the tiered review process for the Peace and Plenty Historic District as outlined in the March 29, 2022 staff memorandum. Mr. Lynch SECONDED the MOTION. The MOTION passed 6-0-0.

c) Proposed change to Historic Preservation Ordinance § 1-23-7

Ms. Whitmore explained that approval of a tiered review would necessitate a change to this ordinance. The proposed change to this section would add the following language: **(E) This section shall not apply to areas within a designated district which have been identified for advisory review by the Commission due to existing agricultural preservation easements.** There was further discussion.

Mr. Davidson MOVED the HPC support recommending a revision to the County Executive to revise Section 1-23-7 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance to include the language proposed in the staff memo, specifically Section E. Mr. Bastian SECONDED the MOTION. The MOTION passed 6-0-0.

IV) ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

a) Form Historic Preservation Ordinance Subcommittee.

Ms. Whitmore talked about the subcommittee, explaining that no more than three HPC members may serve on the committee. Ms. Ballweber and Mr. Lynch volunteered to serve with Chair Baker requesting to be included on emails.

Public Comment: 1 Caller - Jim Jamieson, whose family owns a farm in the Peace and Plenty District. Mr. Jamieson expressed his support for all votes taken, especially the tiered review process.

b) Section 106 Review: Replacement of Bridge at Hessong Bridge Road over Little Hunting Creek (Comments Due: April 28)

Ms. Whitmore gave a brief presentation on the proposed replacement. Luz Padua-Perez, DPW, was available to answer questions. Mr. Lynch said he was pleased with what he is seeing now. Mr. Bastian complemented the report with lots of detail and thought. There was further discussion.



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Public Comment: None

Ms. Ballweber MOVED the HPC concur with the findings of the archeology report that the proposed replacement project of Bridge #F-1501 Hessong Bridge over Little Hunting Creek should avoid any impact on site 18FR1153 and provide a buffer around the Partnership Cemetery to protect it from disturbance. Mr. Hoffman SECONDED the MOTION. The MOTION passed 6-0-0.

Upcoming educational opportunities were discussed. Mr. Baker announced Mr. Bastian is resigning from HPC and taking on other responsibilities. Mr. Bastian was thanked by HPC members for his work. He said he would continue to follow the work of the commission.

V) ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned 8:18 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings: May 4
June 1
July (typically, Commission does not meet this month)

APPROVED