

# **Approved Minutes**

JOINT MEETING  
STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES  
**10:00 a.m. March 18, 2021**  
This meeting took place online.

## **State Review Board Members Present**

Chair Jody Lahendro  
Vice-Chair Sara Bon-Harper  
Dr. Jody L. Allen  
Dr. Carl Lounsbury  
John Mullen  
John Salmon  
Carol Shull

## **Historic Resources Board Members Present**

Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax, Chair  
Dr. Ashley Atkins-Spivey, Vice-Chair  
Jeffrey “Free” A. Harris  
W. Tucker Lemon  
Karice Luck-Brimmer  
Trip Pollard  
David Ruth

## **State Review Board Members Absent**

None.

## **Historic Resources Board Members Absent**

None.

## **Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Julie Langan, Director  
David Edwards  
Jim Hare  
Elizabeth Lipford  
Aubrey Von Lindern  
Lena McDonald  
Jennifer Loux  
Wendy Musumeci

Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director  
Jennifer Pullen  
Michael Pulice  
Marc Wagner  
Joanna Wilson Green  
Megan Melinat  
Brad McDonald

## **Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General; Catherine Shankles, Office of the Attorney General

## **Guests Present (from attendees list in Webex):**

Mark Reed  
Kayla Halberg  
Debra McClane  
Kristin Kirchen

DHR Deputy Director Stephanie Williams opened the meeting and introduced Director Julie Langan and Office of the Attorney General staff members Catherine Shankles and Andrew Tarne.

## **Board of Historic Resources (BHR)**

BHR Chair Fairfax introduced herself and called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Chair Fairfax read the emergency declaration that the BHR is meeting online to perform necessary business of the Board. She introduced herself and Deputy Director Williams took roll call to establish a quorum of members. Chair Fairfax invited BHR members to introduce themselves. She requested a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey so moved and Mr. Harris seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote.

Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth, Mr. Harris, and Mr. Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the December 10, 2020, meeting minutes. Ms. Luck-Brimmer made the motion and Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Ruth, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, and Mr. Pollard voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax explained the role of the BHR and introduced Director Langan.

### **State Review Board (SRB)**

Chair Jody Lahendro called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. He began by reading the emergency declaration that the SRB is meeting online to perform necessary business of the Board. He next took a roll call of SRB members to confirm their presence and invited them to introduce themselves. Chair Lahendro asked for a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Mr. Mullen seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lahendro asked for a motion to approve the December 10, 2020, meeting minutes. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lahendro explained the role of the SRB and the process of Register designation.

### **Director's Report:**

Director Langan explained that DHR staff continue to conduct most of their work remotely but for a core group whose work requires on-site presence. Members of the public can access DHR's Archives and archaeological study collections. More staff will be on-site as vaccination efforts continue although hybrid schedules including remote and on-site work can continue. A side effect of the remote working environment is that DHR is working on training modules that can be viewed online by review board members and the general public. She noted that DHR has an increasing social media presence to disseminate information about DHR's activities and programs to a wide audience. Highway marker dedications largely stopped during the pandemic, but are likely to resume in coming months. She invited all review board members to attend marker dedications on behalf of DHR as their schedules permit. She announced the pending retirement of DHR's grants manager Sharon Erdt and explained that DHR currently manages \$18 million in grants, including projects where DHR is not the principal manager, such as a research project about Chesapeake watermen, which is being led by the National Trust and NPS. She discussed other grant programs, including the Cost Share program, Threatened Sites, several cemetery grant programs, state grants for battlefield preservation, and federal grants received from NPS including maritime grants, disaster relief funding, and the annual Historic Preservation Fund allocation that includes a pass-through grant program for CLGs. More recently, a group of state grants have been delegated to DHR to manage, with 10 approved in the fall 2020 General Assembly session and 4 approved in the spring 2021 session, greatly increasing the grant funds that DHR manages. She noted that Chair Fairfax will step down as the Board of Historic Resources chair in September 2021. The June 2021 joint board meeting is planned to take place online. Potential for an in-person meeting in September 2021 will be discussed as vaccination efforts continue.

### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES**

Deputy Director Williams explained that DHR receives public comment through two means: written and oral. DHR received no written comments in advance of the meeting.

Chair Fairfax read aloud the Statement Regarding Public Participation at Virginia BHR Meetings.

The following members of the public spoke during the public comment period:

1. Mark Reed spoke about the multiple property documentation form “Virginia Beach Oceanfront Resort Motels and Hotels (1955-1970)” and the nomination for the Jefferson Manor Motel Apartments in Virginia Beach. He noted that both were a result of the 2018 survey update of historic architecture in Virginia Beach, which identified several potentially eligible historic districts and individual properties as well as potential MPD topics. Historic oceanfront motels and hotels are considered threatened sites because their low density and scale place them under pressure for redevelopment.
2. Ryan Joyce thanked DHR staff and the review boards for considering the nomination for the Burner-Gearing Farm.
3. Kayla Halberg spoke about the nomination for the Crusier Place Historic District in Norfolk and thanked the review board members and DHR staff for their assistance with the project.
4. Tim Hall, County Administrator for Henry County, spoke in support of the nomination for the John Redd Smith Elementary School.

Chair Fairfax thanked the meeting participants and introduced Mr. Jim Hare.

## **NOMINATIONS**

Mr. Jim Hare presented the following nominations as a block.

### **Eastern Region**

1. \*\*Crusier Place Historic District, City of Norfolk, DHR No. 122-5985, Criteria A and C
2. \*\*\*Virginia Beach Oceanfront Resort Motels and Hotels (1955-1970) Multiple Property Documentation Form, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5721
3. \*\*\*Jefferson Manor Motel Apartments, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5383, Criteria A and C
4. Δ St. John’s United Holy Church of America, Inc., City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-7209, Criteria A, B, and C and Criteria Consideration A

Comment Summary:

Chair Fairfax noted that Rev. James A. Forbes, associated with St. John’s United Holy Church of America, is best known for his period as pastor of Riverside Baptist Church in New York City.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1-4 as presented. Mr. Lemon made the motion and Mr. Harris seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, and Mr. Ruth voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1-4 as presented.

Chair Lahendro asked for a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1-4 as presented. Mr. Mullen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1-4 as presented.

Mr. Jim Hare presented the following nominations as a block.

### **Northern Region**

1. Burner-Gearing Farm, Shenandoah County, DHR No. 085-0292, Criterion C
2. Reveille, Bath County, DHR No. 008-5036, Criterion C
3. \*\*Windsor Apartments/ Whitefield Commons, Arlington County, DHR No. 076-6009, Criteria A and C

## Comment Summary:

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented. Mr. Lemon made the motion and Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey seconded. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, and Mr. Ruth voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented.

Dr. Lounsbury noted that the nomination for the Burner-Gearing Farm included an expansive history of the property and larger vicinity despite the utilitarian character of the property's extant resources.

Chair Lahendro asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Vice-Chair Bon-Harper seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented.

Mr. Jim Hare presented the following nominations as a block.

### **Western Region**

1. Amherst Baptist Church, Town of Amherst, Amherst County, DHR No. 163-0022, Criterion C
2. John Redd Smith Elementary School, Henry County, DHR No. 333-5002, Criteria A and C
3. Stuart Downtown Historic District, Town of Stuart, Patrick County, DHR No. 307-5005, Criteria A and C

## Comment Summary:

Mr. Pulice noted that review comments received from State Review Board members about the three nominations have been or are in the process of being addressed. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper noted that the Stuart Downtown Historic District nomination has been revised to include discussion of Black history in Stuart during the period of significance as race was one of the main organizing principles of public, civic, and social life at the time.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1-3 as presented. Mr. Lemon made the motion and Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, and Mr. Ruth voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Western Region nominations 1-3 as presented.

Chair Lahendro asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1-3 as presented. Mr. Mullen made the motion and Mr. Salmon seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Western Region nominations 1-3 as presented.

Chair Fairfax asked for a motion to adjourn the joint meeting. Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey made the motion and Mr. Lemon seconded. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Fairfax, Vice-Chair Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, and Mr. Ruth voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lahendro asked for a motion to adjourn the joint meeting. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro proceeded with a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted in the affirmative.

Deputy Director Williams explained to attendees how to continue attending the Board of Historic Resources meeting and to switch to the State Review Board meeting.

The Joint Session of the Boards adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

**Register Summary of Resources Listed:** Historic Districts: 2

Buildings: 7  
Structures: 0  
Sites: 0  
Objects: 0  
MPDs: 1

**BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES**

This meeting took place online.

**Board of Historic Resources Members Present:**

Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax, Chair  
Dr. Ashley Atkins-Spivey, Vice Chair  
Jeffrey “Free” A. Harris  
W. Tucker Lemon  
Karice Luck-Brimmer  
Trip Pollard  
David Ruth

**Department of Historic Resources (DHR) Staff Present:**

Julie Langan, Director  
Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director  
Randy Jones  
Dr. Jennifer Loux  
Megan Melinat  
Wendy Musumeci  
Jennifer Pullen  
Karri Richardson  
Joanna Wilson Green

**Board of Historic Resources Members Absent:**

(none)

**Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Catherine Shankles (Office of the Attorney General)  
Andrew Tarne (Office of the Attorney General)

**Guests Present (from attendees list in Webex):**

Charles Bakewell	Scott Erickson	Stephanie Howard	Andrew Rich
Dr. Allia Carter	Thomas Gilmore	Carey Jones	Luanne Santang
Mayo Carter	Susie Green	Jessica Kronberg	David Wayland
Felicia Cosby	Obie Hill	Dale Mullen	

Chair Fairfax called the meeting to order at 11:48 a.m. She began by requesting a motion to continue the Board of Historic Resources meeting. With a motion by Mr. Harris and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax read the emergency declaration that the Board of Historic Resources (“Board”) is meeting online to perform the necessary business of the Board. Chair Fairfax then invited Board members to introduce themselves.

**HIGHWAY MARKERS**

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following nine (9) Diversity Markers as a block and read the accompanying statements of support from the marker applicants.

## **Sponsor Markers – Diversity**

### **1.) Central High School**

**Sponsor:** Goochland County  
**Locality:** Goochland County  
**Proposed Location:** 2748 Dogtown Road

### **2.) Dr. Charles Spurgeon Johnson (1893-1956)**

**Sponsor:** Bristol Historical Association  
**Locality:** Bristol  
**Proposed Location:** Cumberland Park, near the corner of Lee and Cumberland Streets

### **3.) Dry Bridge School**

**Sponsor:** Imogene Hodge Draper  
**Locality:** City of Martinsville  
**Proposed Location:** East Church Street, just east of Boden Street intersection

### **4.) *Ex Parte Virginia***

**Sponsor:** Pittsylvania Historical Society  
**Locality:** Pittsylvania County  
**Proposed Location:** 1 North Main Street, Chatham

### **5.) Sale of Enslaved People at Oakland**

**Sponsor:** Pegram Johnson  
**Locality:** Chesterfield County  
**Proposed Location:** River Road (Rte. 602) near intersection with Cedar Creek Road

### **6.) Willisville**

**Sponsor:** Willisville Preservation Foundation  
**Locality:** Loudoun County  
**Proposed Location:** South side of Rt. 50 at the intersection of Rt. 50 and Willisville Rd.

### **7.) Lucy F. Simms (ca. 1856–1934)**

**Sponsor:** City of Harrisonburg  
**Locality:** Harrisonburg  
**Proposed Location:** 620 Simms Ave.

### **8.) Maple Hill Cemetery, African American Section**

**Sponsor:** Susie M. Green  
**Locality:** Town of Bluefield (Tazewell County)  
**Proposed Location:** at cemetery, near Virginia Ave. and Luther St.

### **9.) First Stop on 1961 Freedom Rides**

**Sponsor:** City of Fredericksburg and University of Mary Washington  
**Locality:** City of Fredericksburg

**Proposed Location:** 601 Princess Anne St.

Comments Summary: Chair Fairfax noted that these are compelling markers showing such rich textures of our history and the impact and presence of enslavement. Ms. Luck-Brimmer stated that these applications are dear to her heart because these historical places amplify the stories that we just don't tell and are often left out of the historical narrative. She is especially happy to see the *Ex Parte Virginia* marker because the existing marker in front of the Pittsylvania Courthouse fails to mention the details of this case. This case was a significant civil rights case that also led to the emergence of the biracial Readjuster Party. Chair Fairfax noted that Dr. Charles Spurgeon Johnson was a contemporary and colleague to W. E. B. Du Bois and their work with these movements underscored a different way to study African-American life and they really were the progenitors of sociology as a developing discipline.

With a motion by Mr. Harris and a second from Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following three (3) Sponsor Markers as a block and read the accompanying statements of support from the marker applicants.

### **Sponsor Markers**

#### **1.) The Rev. Frederick W. Neve (1855-1948)**

**Sponsor:** St. Paul's (Ivy) Episcopal Church  
**Locality:** Albemarle County  
**Proposed Location:** 851 Owensville Road, Charlottesville

#### **2.) Augusta County Courthouse**

**Sponsor:** Augusta County Historical Society  
**Locality:** Staunton  
**Proposed Location:** 1 East Johnson Street

#### **3.) McDowell Presbyterian Church**

**Sponsor:** McDowell Presbyterian Church  
**Locality:** Highland County  
**Proposed Location:** behind church along Bullpasture River Rd., near intersection with Highland Turnpike

Comments Summary: Mr. Pollard stated that he would like to recuse himself from voting on the Augusta County Courthouse Marker as he serves on the Board of Preservation Virginia where he is Vice-President, Chair of the Policy Committee and is a member of the Executive Committee. Preservation Virginia has been involved with conversations about maintaining the Augusta County Courthouse as an active courthouse. While he did not believe there was any conflict with regards to this historic marker, Mr. Pollard would like to recuse himself in the absence of any further legal guidance. Mr. Pollard further commented that he believed all three Sponsor Markers were great and he would like to vote on the two remaining Sponsor Markers.

Mr. Pollard made a motion for approval of the Sponsor Markers for the Rev. Frederick W. Neve and the McDowell Presbyterian Church. Dr. Atkins-Spivey seconded the motion. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Lemon made a motion for the approval of the Sponsor Marker for the Augusta County Courthouse. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative. Mr. Pollard recused himself.

Dr. Loux presented the following four (4) DHR-Initiated markers:

### **DHR-Initiated Markers**

#### **1.) Green Pastures Recreation Area**

**Sponsor:** Department of Historic Resources

**Locality:** Alleghany County

**Proposed Location:** TBD

#### **2.) Readjuster Party**

**Sponsor:** Department of Historic Resources

**Locality:** Petersburg

**Proposed Location:** W. Bank St. at old St. Paul's Alley

#### **3.) Restored Government of Virginia**

**Sponsor:** Department of Historic Resources

**Locality:** Alexandria

**Proposed Location:** TBD

#### **4.) Roger Arliner Young (1898-1964)**

**Sponsor:** Department of Historic Resources

**Locality:** Alleghany County

**Proposed Location:** near Clifton Forge

Comments Summary: Chair Fairfax commented that she was happy to see the marker for Dr. Young who was educated at Howard University. Chair Fairfax also noted that she has been in touch with Danville historian Dr. Fred Motley who is delighted with this marker. Mr. Lemon echoed Chair Fairfax's comments and noted that one branch of his family is from Alleghany County so he is pleased to see two Alleghany County markers. Mr. Lemon noted that the Longdale Furnace area is relatively remote so he would like to see a prominent placement for the Green Pastures Recreation Marker. Mr. Lemon also stated that he would like to see the Roger Arliner Young marker placed in downtown Clifton Forge near the courthouse or in a relatively prominent area. Dr. Loux responded that prominent placement of these two markers would be DHR's hope as well.

Mr. Pollard stated that he would have to recuse himself from the vote on the Green Pastures Recreation Area Marker due to his service on the Preservation Virginia Board of Directors. Preservation Virginia named the Green Pastures Recreation Area to its Endangered Historic Sites list several years ago. Mr. Pollard stated that all four DHR-Initiated Markers are excellent markers.

As a historian whose focus was on the Reconstruction and Redemption Era, Mr. Harris is thrilled to see any information that expands our knowledge of that historical period. Chair Fairfax agreed and noted that the Readjuster Movement also coincided with the election of the first Black congressman, John Mercer Langston, who would become the first president of Virginia State University. His election was contested for most of his term that he did not have an opportunity to fulfill due to race-based politics. Dr. Atkins Spivey agreed with these comments,



noting that this era is one of the most misunderstood periods in our country's history and the lack of education in this area is one of the reasons we are facing the issues we are today. Mr. Pollard echoed these comments as well and noted that this is a much-neglected period in our history. As a native of Petersburg, Mr. Pollard is also happy to see the Readjuster Party Marker.

Mr. Harris made a motion for approval of the DHR-Initiated Marker for Green Pastures Recreation Area. Ms. Luck-Brimmer seconded the motion. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative. Mr. Pollard recused himself.

Dr. Atkins-Spivey applauded the DHR staff who had a role in picking these topics for new markers. Chair Fairfax agreed.

Dr. Atkins-Spivey made a motion for approval of the DHR-Initiated Markers for the Readjuster Party, Restored Government of Virginia and Roger Arliner Young. Mr. Lemon seconded the motion. Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following two (2) Replacement Markers:

### **Replacement Markers**

#### **1.) Page's Meetinghouse K-45**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Pulaski County

#### **2.) End of Sheridan's Ride A-14**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Frederick County

Comments Summary: (no comments)

With a motion by Mr. Lemon and a second from Mr. Ruth, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax thanked Dr. Loux for her presentation and noted that all of the approved markers were very strong applications. Dr. Loux thanked Chair Fairfax and stated that it is wonderful to have the opportunity for DHR-sponsored markers because they allow staff to fill in the gaps for historically significant events or people for which DHR has never received marker applications.

Chair Fairfax asked for a three-minute break.

The Board Meeting resumed at 12:43 p.m.

### **EASEMENTS**

#### **Easement Offers for Consideration**

Ms. Musumeci noted that detailed easement summaries were previously provided to Board members, so today's presentations will identify the property, highlight the property's significance and provide the Easement Acceptance Committee's recommendations.

Ms. Wilson Green presented the following two (2) easement offers for consideration:

**1. Grafton Ponds, Yorktown Battlefield (Civil War), York County**

Easement Applicant: City of Newport News Waterworks

Offer for 552.743 acres

Grant Funding: Surry-Skiffes Creek Grant Fund

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Grafton Ponds easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Confirmation of compliance with the York County Comprehensive Plan.
2. Final review of survey by the Office of the Attorney General.

**2. Elkwood Ranch, LLC Tract, Kelly's Ford Battlefield, Culpeper County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 71.54 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP (pending)

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Elkwood Ranch, LLC Tract easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Receipt of a title commitment insuring the Board of Historic Resources
2. Establishment of building envelope not to exceed more than four acres in size to contain all proposed buildings/structures (dwelling and four to five agricultural buildings which, when combined, will not exceed more than 1% of the total area of the Property), and to be located towards the northern forested section of the Property to protect the battlefield viewshed.
3. Receipt of a revised survey with locations of proposed building envelope and permeable driveway/farm road.
4. Limitation on clearing of forested areas to coincide with historic maps and documentation of the landscape.
5. Review of the title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General.

Ms. Musumeci presented the following three (3) easement offers for consideration:

**3. Mair Tract, Great Bridge Battlefield, City of Chesapeake**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 0.6648 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP (pending) and VBPF (awarded 2020)

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Mair Tract easement offer subject to the following condition:

1. Review of all title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General.

**4. Locust Grove, Purcellville, Loudoun County**

Easement Applicants: Carter Warley and Erin Gemma

Offer for 3 acres

Tax Incentives: Virginia Land Preservation Tax Credit, Federal Income Tax Deduction

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Locust Grove easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Receipt of a title commitment insuring the Board of Historic Resources.
2. Receipt of subordination documents for the current Deed of Trust.
3. Review of all title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General.

#### **5. Red Hill, Charlotte and Campbell Counties**

Easement Applicant: Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation

Offer for ±593.897 acres

Grant Funding: VLCF (awarded 2019)

Tax Incentives: Virginia Land Preservation Tax Credit, Federal Income Tax Deduction

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Red Hill easement offer subject to the following conditions:

1. Review by the OAG and resolution of the following issues to DHR's satisfaction:
  - A. Crossing agreement for railroad that bisects the Property.
  - B. Undocumented electrical easements, to include review by Southside Electrical Cooperative (SEC) of the electrical lines added by the surveyor to the Red Hill Layout Map and receipt of containment letters from SEC for these lines, if necessary.
  - C. Riparian rights granted to Pacific Mills in 1947.
2. Review of the title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General.

Ms. Musumeci stated that staff recommended acceptance of New Easement Offer for Consideration Items #1-#5 as presented.

Comments Summary: With regards to Red Hill, Mr. Ruth asked for more specifics on the riparian rights granted to Pacific Mills. Ms. Musumeci stated that DHR's title examiner had reviewed the title and it is her understanding that these riparian rights are fairly comprehensive and include everything from the frontage along the Falling and Staunton Rivers as well as the interior of the property, including irrigation. Mr. Ruth asked if this would impact any of the recently-discovered Native American sites. Ms. Musumeci stated that she could not answer that question yet as DHR is still awaiting more guidance from the Office of the Attorney General. Ms. Musumeci further stated that her initial response would be no and that there is some question as to whether the riparian rights were ever restored back to Red Hill. It may be that the riparian rights were restored on part of the property but not the whole property, so there is still a bit of research that needs to be done. Andrew Tarne echoed Ms. Musumeci's comments and added that this is a complicated issue. There is a chance that if these rights are still in effect, the mill or its successor might have rights to build or modify the river in the area of the archaeological sites. Ms. Musumeci noted that the mill is no longer located upriver.

Mr. Harris noted that his first job was as a title examiner so he appreciates the work that has gone into these projects. He has also driven past the Great Bridge Battlefield site, and he was happy to see a proposed easement on a property with which he is familiar.

With a motion by Mr. Lemon and a second from Mr. Harris, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Chair Fairfax noted that these are all really interesting easement properties and thanked staff for their work in bringing these offers to the Board for approval.

### **Easement Offer for Reconsideration**

Ms. Musumeci presented the following easement offer for reconsideration:

**1. River Road Tract, New Market Battlefield, Shenandoah County**

Easement Applicant: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation  
Offer for 13.397 acres  
Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends reauthorization of River Road Tract easement offer subject to the following revised condition:

- Final review of title work, title commitment, survey and draft easement by the Office of the Attorney General.

Ms. Musumeci stated that staff recommended acceptance of the Easement Offer for Reconsideration Item #1 as presented.

Comments summary: (no comments)

With a motion by Mr. Pollard and a second from Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

### **Violation Update**

Director Langan presented the following violation update:

**1. Belgian Building, Virginia Union University, City of Richmond**

Remediation status update

Signage installation constituted a violation of Provisions 5 (Approval) and 14 (Signage) of 2010 Deed of Easement.

Draft Mitigation Plan:

1. Add a preservation section to VUU's Master Plan;
2. Biannual monitoring of the unapproved signage;
3. Sponsorship of two highway markers:
  - Virginia Union University & Belgian Building; and
4. Payment of an annual fee for as long as the signs are installed.

Staff requests guidance from the Board of Historic Resources.

Director Langan noted that the funds from the annual fee payment would be used for preservation projects in the Richmond area. Virginia Union University ("VUU") was not receptive to the suggestion that additional historic buildings be placed under easement as part of the mitigation plan. At the time this was being discussed, both DHR and VUU expected that Industrial Hall would be placed under easement as a condition of a state grant. Director

Langan stated that DHR has since learned that the grant requirement was eliminated under the just-concluded General Assembly session, so DHR does not expect Industrial Hall to be protected by an easement. The parties have not reached an agreement about the amount of the annual fee, but Director Langan has shared with VUU the amount of \$50,000 per year as suggested by members of the Board of Historic Resources. These negotiations remain a work in progress and more Board input is required. Once an agreement is reached and approved by the Board, it will require approval by the Office of the Attorney General and it will be memorialized in a memorandum of agreement negotiated by respective counsel. Director Langan noted that Dr. Allia Carter and Felicia Cosby from VUU, as well as VUU's legal counsel, Dale Mullen, were present at the Board meeting.

Comments Summary: Chair Fairfax asked for comments from the Board Members. [Please note: the following statements from Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Ruth, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard were transcribed from the Board meeting audio recording; Mr. Lemon and Chair Fairfax provided written copies of the their statements.]

Dr. Ashley Atkins-Spivey: "I would like to state how important the Easement Program is to the Commonwealth of Virginia. I think it is one of our most important programs to protect our historic resources in the Commonwealth. As someone who has sat on the Board for quite some time now, and I've been honored to do so, every time I hear about an easement violation, I really worry about the efficacy of our Easement Program and the teeth that we have to ensure the contracts that we enter into with property owners are upheld. This particular violation has been ongoing for over a year now, which has taken up a lot of the Board's time and the staff's time to mitigate this violation. I want to thank them for their time because I think the mitigation plan is a good one. I fully back the \$50,000 annual fee for as long as that sign is up in violation of the easement. I would also strongly push for the continued discussion for additional easements on campus. In particular, Director Langan had mentioned that an easement was already going to be potentially happening with Industrial Hall and because there were already potential plans to move forward with that I think that maybe, and again this is just my personal perspective as a board member, that we continue to push for an easement at least on one of the buildings since there were already plans to move forward with that in some way, shape or form. I hope we can come to some sort of agreement, particularly recognizing that we need to, as a Board, ensure that the Easement Program is protected and that violations are handled accordingly so that we can continue to protect historic resources in the Commonwealth."

Mr. David Ruth: "I can add very little to what Dr. Atkins-Spivey's said about the value of easements. I concur wholeheartedly. I do know that in my tenure on the Board, that the fabric of these easements do get wrinkled and it is our job to iron them out, and we have done that very successfully in the past and it looks like the initial negotiations here are moving in the right direction. I hope we can proceed quickly to some resolution of this that works for both the Easement Program and the easement holder."

Ms. Luck-Brimmer: not present.

Mr. Tucker Lemon: "You know that I am still relatively new to this Board, but I am already fully aware of the tremendous responsibility placed on this Department and this Board as the holder of these protective easements. The Federal government provides substantial conservation monies to some of these easement grantors based in part on the assurance and trust that the DHR will look after the asset for them. Similarly, the Commonwealth provides monies and tax credits in reliance on the good faith of the grantor and on the diligence and attention of the DHR. For over 50 years now, and with over 700 easements now held, the DHR spends substantial staff time and money each year in discharging our obligation to monitor and protect these important historical resources.

In virtually all cases, this is done with the full and enthusiastic support of the owner of the encumbered asset. Issues, of course, do arise with so many easements in place, some of which are now so old that we are now on to the third subsequent owner of the property. The staff of the DHR has informed me that when violations do arise, that in virtually all cases they are resolved with the full cooperation of the grantor and with all parties focused on the correction of any errors and the restoration and preservation of the historical asset.

It is in this context that I have become so concerned about the matter before us. As I stated during our last meeting, I am disappointed that we find ourselves at this point, 14 months after the initial notice of violation, with what has to be one of our most sophisticated, knowledgeable and capable grantors.

As you have heard, the staff of the DHR has found a willful violation of the easement and has noted that no notice was received from the grantor prior to their installation of the signage. This is despite the relatively recent placement of this easement and the receipt at such time of Federal funds to restore the Belgian Building.

I am encouraged by the fact that there appears to be no permanent damage to the Belgian Building and that the violation can be fully corrected and reversed. I am also encouraged to learn of modern and innovative illumination techniques that could easily be utilized to accomplish the goals of Virginia Union. Given each of those, I am at a loss to understand why we are still at this point, 14 months later, with no resolution despite the substantial expenditure of staff time, the time of the Attorney General's Office, and the time of Dr. Fairfax.

I believe that any resolution of this violation needs to protect this historical asset and lead towards its restoration in accordance with the easement and the federal and state requirements. I believe that the proposed resolution framework achieves those goals and thus I am in support of it."

Mr. Jeffrey Harris: "Good Afternoon everyone. I am supportive of the draft mitigation plan and that there is nothing among the four points of the plan with which I have any issue. I would want to say generally that as an also relatively new member of the Board of Historic Resources and one who is learning more about our Easement Program as I continue on the Board, personally it is sad to me that we are going through this violation and not seeing a resolution. I know that we have gone through different violations where we have seen resolutions and that this is a violation that apparently is simply not going to be resolved on the part of the one who has granted the easement. The payment of the annual fee I think is certainly fitting since it appears that there won't be a resolution in terms of the restoration of the Belgian Building as it had originally been. As a preservationist and a historian, I want us to come to a resolution that brings us back to, as best we could, what we originally had. There are many things that I would want to say, but I will stop there for the time being, hoping that a resolution is fine and in full support of the draft mitigation plan."

Mr. Trip Pollard: "I'll be brief since I believe the important points have been made but I do want to underscore some of these points. I've worked on preservation and conservation issues in Virginia for decades. Our easement program is absolutely critical to the success of these issues as a cornerstone of Virginia's preservation policy, and it has been a very effective program. I share the concern of the other board members that after so long we are still dealing with this current violation. As was mentioned, state and federal taxpayer money is often involved in these projects, and in exchange to protect that public interest, an easement is put on a particular property or structure. Particularly since it is so easy to reverse this violation and come up with alternatives which DHR has outlined, I'm disappointed that this violation is continuing today. I think we need to make sure that agreements with property owners are followed. The integrity of this program is important to preservation policy and to all taxpayers. I am encouraged that there have been at least some discussions now, and the draft mitigation plan, I think, outlines a good framework. I would say that I think a point needs to be added to that plan of placing an additional easement at the very least on Industrial Hall which we were expecting would be protected and some others in recognition of the outstanding resources at Virginia Union. As was mentioned, this is a sophisticated easement holder, so I am very hopeful that we can reach an agreement and a strong mitigation plan and that will carry us for at least now and that ultimately the signs will be removed and the structure returned to its original condition. Thank you."

Chair Fairfax: "As Chairman of the Board, this matter has been most unsettling to me. I have many childhood memories growing up on the VUU campus. My family and I have a connection to VUU, given that my father and both of my sisters are graduates, my late father was an academic dean there, and my mother has served as an adjunct. I love VUU and regard myself as a friend to the university.

Preservation matters in the Black community as it does in the White community. For decades, even today, we witness careless destruction of buildings, neighborhoods of historic significance in the African American community. When we are able to protect a historic building, we must adhere to that action.

Yet, I am also a steward of the work of the Board. I have a moral and ethical responsibility to this work. Never have we had an entity refuse to uphold their legal contract, and refuse to correct their violation. Never have we had an entity we have a contractual agreement with, to decide to disregard their easement responsibility.

The Belgian building was placed on the Virginia Landmarks Register in 1969, and the National Register of Historic Places in 1970, due to its historic and architectural significance. In 2010, former VUU president, Dr. Claude Perkins, signed an easement agreement, as a condition of a \$340,000 grant from the National Park Service, so that it would be protected and not altered. No sign, billboard, or outdoor advertising structure should be displayed on the property without consent of the Grantee-all of this was violated.

For 14 months, the Easement staff, Director Langan and I have spent time meeting with the VUU staff to address this violation. Yet, the university has refused to return the structure to its original state.

Therefore, I support the recommendations offered in the remediation plan. I also support an idea of having easements placed on some of the older historic structures on the campus. I support the recommendation of \$50,000 yearly fee, to be paid by the university, as long as the signs stay on the Belgian Building. I support a recommendation that the yearly fee would be entered into support for African American preservation easements and districts.

As an HBCU (Historically Black College/University) graduate and an HBCU professor, I understand the important and significant role of institutions in our community. As leaders of our intellectual traditions, we have a responsibility to maintain our ethical and moral posture and to ensure that when we have legal contracts we view them with integrity and as binding contracts. Herein are my comments.”

Director Langan asked for comments from VUU representatives Dr. Allia Carter, Felicia Cosby and Dale Mullen.

Dr. Allia Carter: “Good Afternoon. Madam Chair and Members of the Board, first and foremost, we would like to thank you all for allowing us an opportunity to speak before you here. [undecipherable audio] for providing information on the posture and position of where we were and so please take my sincere regard that the time that has been invested in this and why it has drug on so long is not just with us, but we all know that Covid and the circumstances that right now doesn’t allow us to be before one another. The items that we have come together with Dr.[sic] Langan and her team I do believe provide mitigation for what we [undecipherable audio] with regards to the signage on the tower. I can speak right now at this time that we have all agreed to sounds fine and I would like for it to come to a resolve and for it to come to an end. I would like for your consideration, thoughts in regards to the value or the dollar amount that is being assessed to the building, that it be attached in perpetuity as long as the signage remains there and figuring out if the amount could be lowered and the funds being contributed back to the community for other historical work and maybe even the work here as you all have indicated with more buildings coming into an easement. The items listed before you we stand by, and I just want to say thank you Dr. Langly[sic] and your team for working with us to come up with this.”

Dr. Carter declined further comment on behalf of Felicia Cosby and stated that if the Board could take some consideration as to the amount, she thinks they can bring some closure to this. Dr. Carter thanked everyone for their time, work and service.

Chair Fairfax thanked Dr. Carter for her remarks and stated that the Board will wait for the Easement Staff and Director Langan to work through the recommendations offered by the Board and also the pending work with the Attorney General’s office with regards to the annual fee recommendations.

## Administrative Item

Ms. Melinat presented the following administrative item:

### **1. Policy #12 Administrative Fees – Revision**

- Simplify due dates for fees
- Grant funded easement fee changed to \$10,000 (December 2020); additional revisions to clarify applicability of this fee
- All fees are payable by applicant
- Technical corrections and edits

Ms. Melinat asked the Board to approve the revisions to Policy #12 as proposed.

Comments Summary: (no comments)

With a motion by Mr. Lemon and a second from Mr. Harris, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

## New Easement Recorded Since the December 2020 HRB Meeting

Ms. Melinat then briefed the Board about the following recently recorded easements:

### **1. V Corps Brock Road, Spotsylvania Court House Battlefield, Spotsylvania County**

Easement Donor: Central Virginia Battlefields Trust

Acreage: 14.403 acres

Date Recorded: December 18, 2020

### **2. Benchmark II Tract, Fredericksburg I and II Battlefields, Spotsylvania County**

Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust

Acreage: 4.31 acres

Date Recorded: December 29, 2020

### **3. Mays & Wilson Tracts, Trevilian Station Battlefield, Louisa County**

Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust

Acreage: 22.698 acres

Date Recorded: December 29, 2020

### **4. Pepmeier Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**

Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust

Acreage: 93.796 acres

Easement Recordation: January 25, 2021

### **5. Cold Harbor Road Tract, Cold Harbor Battlefield, Hanover County**

Easement Donor: American Battlefield Trust

Acreage: 50.041 acres

Easement Recordation: March 3, 2021

Chair Fairfax thanked the entire Easement Staff for their stewardship, energy, effort, time and expertise as they shepherd the Easement Program. She is greatly appreciative of their work to preserve and protect historic buildings and areas that pertain to Virginia's history.



With a motion by Dr. Atkins-Spivey to adjourn the meeting and a second from Mr. Lemon, Chair Fairfax proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lemon, Ms. Luck-Brimmer, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Fairfax voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Fairfax also thanked Jennifer Pullen, Stephanie Williams and representatives from the Office of the Attorney General for their work.

Chair Fairfax adjourned the meeting of the Board of Historic Resources at 1:39 p.m.

**STATE REVIEW BOARD**  
This meeting took place online.

**State Review Board Members Present**

Chair Jody Lahendro  
Vice-Chair Sara Bon-Harper  
Dr. Jody L. Allen  
Dr. Carl Lounsbury  
John Mullen  
John Salmon  
Carol Shull

**State Review Board Members Absent**  
None

**Department of Historic Resources Staff Present**

Jim Hare  
David Edwards  
Elizabeth Lipford  
Lena McDonald  
Michael Pulice  
Aubrey Von Lindern  
Marc Wagner  
Meagan Coward

**Guests (from attendees list in Webex):** Keith Anderson (Indiana United Methodist Church); Deshanda Artis (Brown Grove Baptist Church); Ashley Atkins Spivey (Indiana United Methodist Church); Connie Barnes; Nikki Bass (Indiana United Methodist Church); Lisa Bergstrom (Indiana United Methodist Church); Diane Drake (Brown Grove Baptist Church); Dara Friedburg (Eubank Hotel); Markeila Harris; Bert Jones; Brianna Morris (Montross HD); Mical Tawney (Berkletown HD); Will Tucker

Chair Lahendro called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. for discussion and consideration of the Preliminary Information Forms (informal guidance session). He began by reading the emergency declaration that the SRB is meeting online to perform necessary business of the Board.

The following Preliminary Information Forms were *endorsed*, unless otherwise noted, with the following comments:

## Western Region

1. Clinchco Historic District, Town of Clinchco, Dickenson County, DHR No. 339-5003, Criteria A and C  
The district, if nominated, would be the first for Dickenson County. The period of significance end date was discussed; currently, it is based on construction of the most recent significant architecture. The closure of coal mines in the area proved to be devastating to the town's economy.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Dr. Lounsbury seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

2. Lawson Farm, Smyth County, DHR No. 086-5258, Criteria A and C  
Historically the farm hosted a horse racing festival that ended in the 1980s. Some property features, including gateposts with lamps, a mounting block, a canopy at the entrance drive, and a large grill are related to the festival. Near the primary dwelling, a brick outbuilding with two chimneys may be a kitchen/wash house.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Mr. Mullen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

3. Little Valley Schoolhouse, Carroll County, DHR No. 017-5159, Criteria A, B, and C  
Some windows have custom-milled replacement sash and exterior doors are replicas based on historic photos. Although built for white students, the building's similarity to one of the standardized designs for the Rosenwald school program was discussed. Rural schools of the era often share characteristics such as large windows, rectilinear forms, and minimal embellishments.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

4. Matthews Farm, Grayson County, DHR No. 038-5297, Criteria C and D  
The dwelling's unusual combination of framing methods was noted. Additional research is needed to finalize a historic boundary for the property.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

5. Δ Pennington Gap School/ Appalachian African American Cultural Center, Town of Pennington Gap, Lee County, DHR No. 281-0028, Criteria A and C  
The SRB endorsed the PIF without additional comment.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Mr. Mullen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-

Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

6. Δ C.H. Shorter House, Town of Big Stone Gap, Wise County, DHR No. 101-5012, Criterion B  
C. H. Shorter’s lengthy and diverse career as an educator was discussed. The property remains in possession of the Shorter family.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Mullen made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper left the meeting at 3:30 p.m., before this PIF was presented.

**Northern Region.....presented by  
Aubrey Von Lindern**

1. Δ Henrico Baltimore Family Cemetery/ West Africa Cemetery, Warren County, DHR No. 093-5087, Criterion A and Criteria Consideration D

The identities of three individuals are known through stone grave markers, but the vast majority of burials are unmarked. There is not a descendants’ group in the area. Additional field investigations are planned, including GPR survey, after pandemic restrictions are lifted.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Mr. Mullen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

2. Joseph House, Page County, DHR No. 069-0101, Criterion C

The reconstructed front porch is based on a historic porch on a similar house that is nearby. A barn and outbuilding historically associated with the Joseph House is on a separate parcel and will not be included in a nomination.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Mr. Salmon seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

3. Vandeventer House, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-0415, Criterion C

The house is oriented facing away from the nearest road because a new access drive was installed after recent development impacted the historic drive.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Bon-Harper made the motion and Chair Lahendro seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

4. Warrenton Historic District Boundary Increase, Town of Warrenton, Fauquier County, DHR No. 156-0019, Criteria A and C

As proposed, the boundaries included two areas composed of recent development and these will not be included in a nomination’s historic boundary.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Allen made the motion and Mr. Salmon seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

**Eastern Region.....presented by Marc Wagner and Elizabeth Lipford**

1. Δ Berkleytown Historic District, Town of Ashland, Hanover County, DHR No. 166-5073, Criterion A  
During the period of significance, the school within the HD served African American students from a wide area of Hanover County. The PIF includes a list of research topics anticipated to be investigated during preparation of a nomination for the district.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

2. Δ Brown Grove Baptist Church, Hanover County, DHR No. 042-5799, Criteria A and C and Criteria Consideration A

The board endorsed the PIF without additional comment.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Allen made the motion and Vice-Chair Bon-Harper seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

3. Chinn House, Town of Warsaw, Richmond County, DHR No. 321-0010, Criteria B and C  
The architect of the house is not known currently, but may be identified through further research.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, and Mr. Salmon voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion. Ms. Shull experienced technical difficulties that prevented her from voting.

4. Coker-Bain Store, Sussex County, DHR No. 091-0103, Criterion A  
Research to date has not provided a lot of information about the store’s historic use, including the functions of the upper story. The property has remained in the Bain family’s ownership to the present day but a property sale is pending.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Mr. Salmon seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

5. Eubank Hotel, Town of Kilmarnock, Lancaster County, DHR No. 249-5006, Criteria A and C  
The SRB endorsed the PIF without additional comment.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Mullen made the motion and Dr. Lounsbury seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

6. # Indiana United Methodist Church, City of Chesapeake, DHR No. 131-0386, Criterion A and Criteria Consideration A

Ms. Nikki Bass noted the community and congregation support that has provided important information on the property's history. Religion was noted as a potential area of significance for the property based on the historic adoption of Methodism by congregation members who also were members of the Nansemond tribe. The parcel boundaries are not fully defined yet as additional research of property records is needed.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Dr. Allen seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

7. ^ Montross Historic District, Town of Montross, Westmoreland County, DHR No. 263-5038, Criteria A and C

The district's proposed eastern boundary was noted as including a large farmstead that is within the Town limits. A new high school complex is being built on the parcel immediately east of the farmstead, making a logical boundary for the district. The district's high archaeological potential was noted.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Dr. Lounsbury made the motion and Vice-Chair Bon-Harper seconded. Chair Lahendro took a roll call vote. Chair Lahendro, Vice-Chair Bon-Harper, Dr. Allen, Dr. Lounsbury, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Salmon, and Ms. Shull voted unanimously by roll call to approve the motion.

Chair Lahendro requested a motion for the SRB to adjourn. With a motion from Dr. Lounsbury and a second from Dr. Allen, the motion was approved. The SRB meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

- \* Cost Share Sponsored Project
- \*\* Certified Local Government
- \*\*\* Certified Local Government Sponsored Project
- Δ Associated with African American history
- ^ ESHPF Disaster Assistance Grant Project
- # Associated with Virginia Indian history