

# **Approved Minutes**

## JOINT MEETING STATE REVIEW BOARD and BOARD OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

**9:00 a.m. March 17, 2022**

At Halsey Lecture Hall, Virginia Museum of History and Culture, 420 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd., Richmond, VA  
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### **State Review Board Members Present**

John Mullen, Chair  
Dr. Jody L. Allen, Vice-Chair  
Dr. Eleanor Breen  
Jeffrey E. Klee  
Greg Rutledge  
Carol Shull

### **Historic Resources Board Members Present**

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

### **State Review Board Members Absent**

Larissa Smith

### **Historic Resources Board Members Absent**

Karice Luck-Brimmer

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

Julie Langan, Director  
David Edwards  
Lena McDonald  
Aubrey Von Lindern  
Megan Melinat  
Jennifer Loux  
Elizabeth Lipford  
Brad McDonald  
Kyle Edwards  
Joanna Wilson Green

Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director  
Jennifer Pullen  
Karri Richardson  
Marc Wagner  
Joanna McKnight  
Wendy Musumeci  
Joanna McKnight  
Blake McDonald  
Andrew Poole

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

Andrew Tarne, Office of the Attorney General; Wesley Morgan, Office of the Attorney General

### **Guests Present (from attendees list in Webex and sign-in sheets):**

Yvonne Johnson                      Viola Baskerville

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

At 9:08 Chair Lemon called the Board of Historic Resources to order. Deputy Director Williams took roll call to establish a quorum of members: Mr. Ruth, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon are present. Chair Lemon read the Land Acknowledgement Statement. Chair Lemon explained the purpose

and duties of the BHR. He invited BHR members to introduce themselves and introduced himself. He noted that the meeting is public, is being held in person, is streaming online, and is being recorded. He requested a motion for approval of the meeting format and agenda. Dr. Spivey so moved and Dr. Fairfax seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the December 7, 2021, meeting minutes. Vice-Chair Harris made the motion and Dr. Fairfax seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon introduced DHR Director Julie Langan.

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

Director Langan called the SRB meeting to order and explained that the State Review Board is without officers. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call of SRB members to confirm the presence of a quorum. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Dr. Allen, Mr. Mullen, Ms. Shull, and Mr. Rutledge are present. Each SRB member introduced themselves. Director Langan asked the SRB members if there are any questions about the agenda. Hearing none, Director Langan requested a motion to approve the meeting format and agenda. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Dr. Allen, Mr. Mullen, Ms. Shull, and Mr. Rutledge voted in the affirmative.

Director Langan asked for a motion to nominate a slate of officers for the SRB. Ms. Shull moved that Dr. Allen be elected Vice-Chair and Mr. Mullen be elected Chair. Mr. Klee seconded the motion. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Dr. Allen, Mr. Mullen, Ms. Shull, and Mr. Rutledge voted in the affirmative.

Chair Mullen explained the purpose and duties of the SRB and the process of Register designation. Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the December 7, 2021, meeting minutes. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, and Mr. Rutledge abstained as they were not present at the December 7, 2021, meeting, while Ms. Shull, Vice-Chair Allen, and Chair Mullen voted in the affirmative.

Chair Mullen turned the floor over to Director for her report.

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

Director Langan explained that since the December 7, 2021, board meeting, a new governor's administration has been sworn in and the General Assembly has been in session. Two key DHR staff members have retired and several other staff members have changed positions. Two time capsules were recovered during the process of dismantling the statue of Robert E. Lee in Richmond. The discoveries garnered national and international media attention. Director Langan noted that the General Assembly adjourned without approval of a budget. Items concerning DHR that were included in the previous administration's budget have been retained in the budget that will be under consideration when the General Assembly enters a special session. DHR's major piece of legislation to create a preservation fund for Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color (BIPC) cultural resources has been approved. A bill to extend the date for historically Black cemeteries to be eligible for the state-funded cemeteries preservation fund also was approved. DHR currently is co-sponsoring with Preservation Virginia a Preservation Academy consisting of four webinars about various topics in historic preservation. The Keeping History Above Water conference is taking place in Virginia in May. This conference will focus on impacts of sea level rise and recurrent flooding on historic places. Highway marker dedications continue to be frequent and Director Langan invited Board members to attend any that they would like to. She said that the new governor's administration has expressed interest in continuing the annual highway marker competition among Virginia schools that began during the previous administration. She last noted that the June 16, 2022, meeting will take place at Sweet Briar College.

At 9:35 a.m., Chair Lemon introduced the Public Comment period and read aloud the Statement Regarding Public Participation at Virginia BHR Meetings.

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

Ms. Yvonne Johnson spoke on behalf of the Friends of the Reservation – Charles Corner with regard to a proposed state historical highway marker that concerns The Reservation.

Ms. Viola Baskerville spoke on behalf of the AMMD Pine Grove Project with regard to a proposed state historical highway marker that concerns the Pine Grove School.

Ms. Vicki Simons spoke in support of the proposed highway marker for The Reservation.

Ms. Ana Edwards, chair of the Sacred Ground Historical Reclamation Project, spoke in support of the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District nomination and the Chatsworth School nomination.

Mr. Dan Mouer spoke in support of the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District nomination, of which he is a co-author.

Chair Lemon thanked everyone who spoke during the public comment period.

Chair Lemon asked if any of the BHR members have a conflict of interest concerning any of the nominations slated for presentation today. Mr. Pollard said that he has a potential conflict of interest concerning the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District.

Chair Mullen asked if any of the SRB members have a conflict of interest concerning any of the nominations slated for presentation today. Dr. Breen said that she has a potential conflict of interest concerning the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District.

Chair Lemon said that the Boards will vote on the nomination for the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District separately from the other nominations that will be presented, with Mr. Pollard and Dr. Breen recused from voting on that nomination.

### **NOMINATIONS**

Ms. Joanna McKnight presented the Byrne Street USO Club and Timberneck Boundary Increase. Mr. Wagner presented the Chatsworth School and Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District.

#### **Eastern Region**

1. Byrne Street USO Club, City of Petersburg, DHR No. 123-5054, Criteria A and C
2. Chatsworth School, Henrico County, DHR No. 043-0544, Criteria A and C
3. Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-7231, Criteria A, C, and D and Criteria Consideration D
4. Timberneck Boundary Increase, Gloucester County, DHR No. 036-0074, Criteria B, C, and D

#### **Comment Summary:**

Chair Lemon invited questions and comments from BHR members concerning nominations 1-4. Dr. Fairfax spoke about the community role played by the Byrne Street USO Club. She also addressed Virginia Randolph's association with public schools for African American children in Henrico County. The history of the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District exemplifies the historical treatment of cemeteries for African American persons and its study is important for comparative analysis to other cemeteries across the Commonwealth. Chair Lemon explained that the northern boundary of the historic district follows the edge of the existing railroad tracks, but historically the African Burying Ground extended farther north and east beneath several extant buildings and the

164 bridges. The historic boundary is drawn to exclude those areas of extensive disturbance as currently it is not known what aspects of the cemetery may remain in situ. Future field investigations may provide evidence that warrants extending the historic boundary into one or more of these areas. Mr. Wagner said that the nomination will be revised slightly to provide additional verbal description and justification of the historic district's boundary. He noted the historic aerial images provide insight into the land uses north and east of the currently defined historic boundary.

Dr. Ryan Smith, a coauthor of the nomination for the Shockoe Hill Burying Ground Historic District, said that the potential for expanding the historic boundary would be welcomed.

Ms. Shull said that disturbance over time to burial grounds is part of the historic district's significance. Dr. Smith said that the district's period of significance ends in 1969 to take into account the significance of the disturbance that occurred in the African Burying Ground within the district.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1, 2, and 4 as presented. Mr. Pollard made the motion and Dr. Fairfax seconded. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted unanimously to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1, 2, and 4 as presented.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve nomination 3 as presented. Mr. Ruth made the motion and Dr. Spivey seconded. Deputy Director Williams took a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted unanimously to approve the Eastern Region nomination 3 as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1, 2, and 4 as presented. Mr. Klee made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen voted unanimously to approve the Eastern Region nominations 1, 2, and 4 as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve nomination 3 as presented. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Mr. Klee seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Klee, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen voted unanimously to approve the Eastern Region nomination 3 as presented.

Ms. Aubrey Von Lindern presented the following nominations as a block.

### **Northern Region**

1. C.L. Robinson Ice and Cold Storage Building, City of Winchester, DHR No. 138-5140, Criterion A
2. Green Hill Cemetery, Town Luray, Page County, DHR No. 159-5013, Criterion C and Criteria Consideration D
3. Snickersville Turnpike, Loudoun County, DHR No. 053-6487, Criteria A and C

### **Comment Summary:**

Chair Lemon invited questions and comments from the BHR members. Vice-Chair Harris commented on his experience driving along Snickersville Turnpike several years ago.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from the SRB members. None were made.

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

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen voted unanimously to approve the Northern Region nominations 1-3 as presented.

Mr. Michael Pulice presented the following nominations as a block.

**Western Region**

1. Fulton Farm, Wythe County, DHR No. 098-5634, Criteria B and C
2. Rivermont School, City of Covington, DHR No. 107-5181, Criteria A and C

**Comment Summary:**

Chair Lemon invited questions and comments from BHR members. He said that his father attended Rivermont School and was present at the school’s grand opening.

Chair Mullen invited questions and comments from SRB members. Vice-Chair Allen acknowledged that the Fulton family relied on an enslaved workforce at their farm during the antebellum period.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1-2 as presented. Dr. Spivey made the motion and Mr. Ruth seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted unanimously to approve the Western Region nominations 1-2 as presented.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to approve the Western Region nominations 1-2 as presented. Dr. Breen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen voted unanimously to approve to approve the Western Region nominations 1-2 as presented.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Dr. Spivey made the motion and Mr. Ruth seconded. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Ruth, Dr. Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Vice-Chair Harris, and Chair Lemon voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

Chair Mullen asked for a motion to adjourn the joint session of the BHR and SRB. Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Mr. Klee, Dr. Breen, Vice-Chair Allen, Ms. Shull, Mr. Rutledge, and Chair Mullen voted unanimously to adjourn the joint session.

The joint meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

**Register Summary of Resources Listed:** Historic Districts: 1  
Buildings: 6  
Structures: 1  
Sites: 1  
Objects: 0  
MPDs: 0

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**Board of Historic Resources Members Present:**

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Jeffrey “Free” A. Harris, Vice Chair  
Dr. Ashley Atkins-Spivey  
Dr. Colita Nichols Fairfax  
Trip Pollard  
David Ruth

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

Julie Langan, Director  
Stephanie Williams, Deputy Director  
Kyle Edwards\*  
Dr. Jennifer Loux  
Brad McDonald  
Megan Melinat  
Wendy Musumeci  
Andrew Poole\*  
Jennifer Pullen  
Karri Richardson  
Joanna Wilson Green

**Board of Historic Resources Members Absent:**

Karice Luck-Brimmer

**Other State Agency Staff Present:**

Andrew Tarne (Office of the Attorney General)  
Wesley Morgan (Office of the Attorney General)

**Guests Present from Attendees List at Meeting:**

Viola Baskerville

**Guests Present from Attendees List in Webex:**

Kristen Allen	Sonja Ingram	Leonora McQueen	Vicki Simons
Christopher Harrison	Jajuan Johnson	Dolores Peterson	Nord Wennerstrom
Max Hokit	Gail E. Lover	Kathleen Robertson	Unknown Caller

Chair Lemon called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Chair Lemon requested a roll call of the Board members.

Chair Lemon read the following Land Acknowledgment Statement:

*The Department of Historic Resources/Board of Historic Resources/State Review Board acknowledges the indigenous peoples of Virginia and expresses its gratitude for their continued stewardship of her lands and waterways over many generations. We also acknowledge the free and enslaved Africans and their descendants whose labors and contributions on behalf of the Commonwealth have long been overlooked. We commit ourselves to meaningful engagement with all Virginians, past and present, as we strive to fulfill our charge as stewards of Virginia’s long and rich history.*

Chair Lemon read the Board of Historic Resources Call to Order and invited those Board members present to introduce themselves: Mr. Ruth, Mr. Pollard, Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Mr. Harris, Dr. Fairfax and Chair Lemon.

Chair Lemon reminded everyone that this is a public meeting that is being streamed online. The online feed is being recorded. Chair Lemon thanked the Virginia Museum of History and Culture for hosting this meeting and stated that masks are currently optional for visitors to the museum.

Director Langan suggested that the Board amend the agenda to include a break for lunch after the Burial Permits presentation.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to amend the agenda for a break following the presentation of Burial Permits and before the Easements presentation. With a motion to approve by Dr. Fairfax, and a second from Mr. Harris, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon asked if any Board Member have conflicts of interest with the Highway Markers agenda. Mr. Pollard noted a potential conflict with Pine Grove School due to his work with the Southern Environmental Law Center and as an officer of Preservation Virginia. Mr. Pollard stated that he will not participate in the Pine Grove School discussion or vote.

## **HIGHWAY MARKERS**

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following six (6) Diversity Markers as a block and read the accompanying statements of support from the marker applicants.

### **Sponsor Markers – Diversity**

#### **1. The Reservation**

**Sponsor:** Friends of the Reservation – Charles Corner

**Locality:** York County

**Proposed Location:** Rt. 143 outside Naval Weapons Station Yorktown

#### **2. Robert Orrick (ca. 1827-1902)**

**Sponsor:** Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society

**Locality:** Winchester

**Proposed Location:** 15 S. Braddock Street

#### **3. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and Cemetery**

**Sponsor:** Centerville Historic Society

**Locality:** Virginia Beach

**Proposed Location:** 1925 Kempsville Road

#### **4. Helping Hand Cemetery**

**Sponsor:** Helping Hand Cemetery Club

**Locality:** Southampton County

**Proposed Location:** 21448 Main St., Courtland

#### **5. Pine Grove School**

**Sponsor:** AMMD Pine Grove Project

**Locality:** Cumberland County

**Proposed Location:** 267 Pinegrove Road

## **6. Andrew Jackson School**

**Sponsor:** Living Legacy

**Locality:** Page County

**Proposed Location:** 630 W. Main St., Luray

Dr. Loux read written comments about the following highway markers: The Reservation and Robert Orrick (ca. 1827-1902).

Board Comments Summary: Chair Lemon stated that there were some great comments from Mrs. Johnson and Ms. Simons regarding The Reservation marker during the morning session. Dr. Fairfax commented that many of the early parishioners of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church helped to establish the Princess Anne County Training School which was the only high school for black children in Virginia Beach. This school was later called the Union Kempsville High School. Dr. Fairfax also stated that Reverend Muriel Branch [?] would be so proud if she were here because she has been such a proponent of the Pine Grove School.

Public Comments Summary: Viola Baskerville thanked Dr. Fairfax for her comments regarding Pine Grove School.

Chair Lemon stated that the Board would vote on The Reservation, Robert Orrick, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and Cemetery, Helping Hand Cemetery and the Andrew Jackson School highway markers as a block. With a motion to approve by Dr. Atkins-Spivey, and a second from Mr. Harris, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Chair Lemon asked for a motion to approve the Pine Grove School highway marker. With a motion to approve by Dr. Atkins-Spivey, and a second from Dr. Fairfax, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative. Mr. Pollard recused himself from the vote due to his work with Southern Environmental Law Center and as an officer of Preservation Virginia.

Dr. Jennifer Loux presented the following six (6) Sponsor Markers as a block.

### **Sponsor Markers**

#### **1. Settlement at Timber Grove**

**Sponsor:** Historic Lexington Foundation

**Locality:** Rockbridge County

**Proposed Location:** Timber Ridge Road at intersection with Sam Houston Way

#### **2. Josiah Holbrook (1788-1854)**

**Sponsor:** Lynchburg Department of Parks and Recreation; Hurt and Proffitt

**Locality:** Lynchburg

**Proposed Location:** on Blackwater Creek Hiking and Bike Trail

Board Comments: In response to Dr. Loux's comment that the Board would be approving the proposed location for the marker along the popular Blackwater Creek Hiking and Biking Trail (vs. on a public street), Chair Lemon asked why this location had been chosen for the marker. Dr. Loux stated that it was at this spot that Holbrook fell to his death from a bluff into the river below in 1854. This location is also near a railroad tunnel which is a popular destination for hikers so the marker should get a lot of attention. This location has been approved by DHR staff.



### **3. Blue Ridge Tunnel**

**Sponsor:** Crozet Tunnel Foundation

**Locality:** Nelson County

**Proposed Location:** 215 Afton Depot Lane, Afton

### **4. Seawright Springs**

**Sponsor:** Jeff Slaven

**Locality:** Augusta County

**Proposed Location:** 80 Seawright Road, Mt. Sidney

### **5. George Washington High School**

**Sponsor:** George Washington High School Alumni Association

**Locality:** Alexandria

**Proposed Location:** 1005 Mount Vernon Ave.

### **6. School Busing in the Richmond Region**

**Sponsor:** Robert C. Layton

**Locality:** Chesterfield County

**Proposed Location:** TBD

Dr. Loux read written comments about the following highway markers: Settlement at Timber Grove and the Blue Ridge Tunnel.

Public Comments Summary: None

Comments Summary: Chair Lemon reminded the Board that in addition to approving the markers they are also approving the location of the Josiah Holbrook marker.

With a motion to approve by Dr. Atkins-Spivey and a second from Mr. Harris, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following three (3) DHR-Initiated Markers:

### **DHR-Initiated Markers**

#### **1. U.S. Colored Troops at Appomattox**

**Sponsor:** DHR

**Locality:** Appomattox County

**Proposed Location:** Rt. 24 just west of Appomattox Court House

#### **2. *Harper v. Virginia Board of Elections***

**Sponsor:** DHR

**Locality:** Fairfax County

**Proposed Location:** Fordson Road in Gum Springs

#### **3. Mary Wingfield Scott (1895-1983)**

**Sponsor:** DHR

**Locality:** City of Richmond

**Proposed Location:** E. Franklin St. between N. First St. and N. Second St.

Comments Summary:

With regards to the *Harper v. Virginia Board of Elections* marker, Dr. Fairfax commented that there is a new provocative biography by Charlene Butts Ligon about Evelyn T. Butts entitled Fearless detailing Ms. Butts' fight against the poll tax. Mr. Harris added that his elders would talk about paying poll tax in the City of Hampton which is a reminder that this occurred within living memory. Mr. Harris is pleased to support this marker.

With a motion to approve by Dr. Fairfax and a second from Mr. Harris, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following five (5) Replacement Markers:

**Replacement Markers**

**1. Buckingham Baptist Church F-56**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Buckingham County

**Proposed Location:** U.S. Rt. 15, just north of intersection with Rt. 622, Trents Mill Road

**2. Presley Neville O'Bannon (ca. 1776-1850) FF-6**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Fauquier County

**Proposed Location:** Grove Lane (Rt. 185), just west of Bus. US 17

**3. Ellerslie C-10**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Rappahannock County

**Proposed Location:** US 211/522 just west of intersection with Rt. 626/Tiger Valley Road

**4. Burke's Station BW-3**

**Sponsor:** VDOT

**Locality:** Fairfax County

**Proposed Location:** Old Burke Lake Road at intersection with Burke Road

**5. Virginia Historical Society SA-33**

**Sponsor:** DHR

**Locality:** City of Richmond

**Proposed Location:** Arthur Ashe Boulevard just south of intersection with Kensington Ave.

Comments Summary: None

With a motion to approve by Mr. Harris and a second from Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

Dr. Loux presented the following Equal Justice Initiative Marker:

**Equal Justice Initiative Marker**

## **1.) The Lynching of Dave Hurst**

**Location:** Wise County

The Board of Historic Resources voted to support the use of Equal Justice Initiative (“EJI”) markers in Virginia in December 2018, but the Board requested the opportunity to review each EJI marker. Dr. Loux provided an example of an EJI marker and pointed out that these markers are double-sided and therefore allow greater detail about their subjects; one side provides an overview about lynchings and racial terrorism in America and the other side provides details about a specific event. Dr. Loux confirmed that marker staff has found the marker text to be accurate, and therefore support approval of this EJI marker.

Comments Summary: Referencing Dr. Loux’s photographic example of a Texas EJI marker, Chair Lemon asked if the Virginia EJI marker would have the outline of the Commonwealth of Virginia on the marker. Dr. Loux confirmed that EJI markers in Virginia would have the Virginia outline at the top of each marker. Chair Lemon asked if the EJI markers are the same size as DHR’s markers. Dr. Loux stated that EJI markers may be slightly larger but will be the same color as the example pictured. Chair Lemon asked for clarification on the Board’s role in this approval process. Dr. Loux stated Board approval is necessary given that language in the Code of Virginia requires the Board to approve markers on subjects of national significance, and that DHR considers each lynching to be a subject of national importance. Mr. Ruth asked if the text was included in the Board Packet. Chair Lemon confirmed that it was included in the Board Packet. Dr. Fairfax stated that she hoped everyone would read it because the violence associated with this lynching is almost incomprehensible. Chair Lemon asked if this marker would be located in a VDOT right-of-way. Dr. Loux stated that the location of the marker is to be determined by Wise County and EJI, therefore she has not reviewed the location. Mr. Harris stated that EJI also gathers soil from lynching sites.

With a motion to approve by Dr. Fairfax and a second from Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

The Marker portion of the agenda ended at 11:49 a.m.

## **BURIAL PERMITS**

Joanna Wilson Green gave a brief presentation on burial permits. Between January 1, 2022 and March 17, 2022, DHR issued five permits on the Board’s behalf. Four of those permits were anticipatory permits meaning that no human remains had been identified, but the permits were issued as precautionary measures in case remains were found. One recovery permit was issued for the East Marshall Well Project in the City of Richmond. This permit was to allow for the removal of small amounts of bone to accommodate the retrieval of DNA. Four existing permits were granted extensions due to project delays and other complications. Five projects were closed following completion of permit conditions.

Comments Summary: None.

The Burial Permits portion of the agenda ended at 11:51 a.m. The Board of Historic Resources took a break for lunch.

The Board of Historic Resources returned from break at 12:46 p.m.

## **EASEMENTS**

## **New Easement Offers for Consideration**

Ms. Musumeci presented the following four (4) easement offers for consideration:

### **1. A. J. Long Mill, Greene and Albemarle Counties**

Easement Applicants: Frank and Eleanor Biasioli

Offer for 3.16 acres and overlay easement on 116.58 acres

Grant Funding: none

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the A.J. Long Mill Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

1. Receipt of lien subordination documents prior to easement recordation.
2. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: None.

Ms. Musumeci stated the next three easement offers (Perreault Tract, Jackson Tract and Robertson-Welch Tract) are all within the Yahley Mill Road corridor and presented a map detailing the locations of these properties.

### **2. Perreault Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**

Easement Applicant: Richmond Battlefields Association

Offer for 2.724 acres

Grant Funding: VBPF

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

1. Demolition of the existing non-historic buildings and structures shall be completed within five years from the date of easement recordation. Such rehabilitation of the battlefield landscape shall be conducted according to a written rehabilitation management plan negotiated by DHR and RBA, and such plan shall be incorporated into the easement either directly or by reference.
2. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: None.

### **3. Jackson Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 2.3 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF, VLCF

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

1. DHR staff will work with the American Battlefield Trust and Henrico County to draft language to DHR's satisfaction that acknowledges and permits the potential infrastructure improvements in the historic

preservation and open-space easement held by the BHR, subject to conditions regarding archaeological survey and avoidance of known archaeological sites.

2. Demolition of the existing non-historic buildings and structures shall be completed within three years from the date of easement recordation. Such rehabilitation of the battlefield landscape shall be conducted according to a written rehabilitation management plan negotiated by DHR and the Trust, and such plan shall be incorporated into the easement either directly or by reference.
3. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: None

#### **4. Robertson-Welch Tract, Deep Bottom II Battlefield, Henrico County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 48.17 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF, VLCF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Robertson-Welch Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

1. DHR staff will work with the American Battlefield Trust and Henrico County to draft language to DHR's satisfaction that acknowledges and permits the potential infrastructure improvements in the historic preservation and open-space easement held by the BHR, subject to conditions regarding archaeological survey and avoidance of known archaeological sites.
2. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: Mr. Pollard asked for the current width of Yahley Mill Road. Ms. Musumeci stated that she believes Yahley Mill Road is currently about 33 feet wide so Henrico County will potentially double that width to 66 feet. Mr. Pollard also asked if the connector road across the Robertson-Welch Tract exists. Ms. Musumeci stated that this road does not currently exist. Mr. Pollard asked what Henrico plans to connect with the proposed connector road. Ms. Musumeci stated that the connector road will connect Yahley Mill Road with Bradbury Road. Mr. Ruth stated that he is pleased to see the corridor of protected lands along Yahley Mill Road, however there are "renegade" issues involved with these conserved lands. He also stated there is a plan to bring the non-profit landowners, the National Park Service ("NPS") and Henrico County together to discuss transportation issues, pedestrian infrastructure, and interpretive opportunities. For the first time, this will allow all of the entities to get an idea of the broad use and ultimate opportunities available for this large land mass that is now conserved. Ms. Musumeci stated that DHR would welcome that conversation because Henrico County's planned infrastructure projects have been an ongoing issue for a while. DHR has been working with Henrico County to craft easement language that accommodates their infrastructure needs but this has become tricky considering archaeological sites, especially on the Robertson-Welch Tract. DHR may be forced to have this conversation with Henrico County sooner rather than later. Mr. Ruth stated that DHR really needs to be at the table when this conversation between the County, NPS and the non-profits takes place. He went on to say the American Battlefield Trust is trying to serve as the conduit to bring everyone to the table for this conversation. Dr. Fairfax asked for more information on the family cemetery. Ms. Musumeci stated that staff has only been able to find one name associated with the cemetery, Susan Merridew, formerly Susan Crittenden. The Crittenden Family lived on part of the Property. Staff has been unable to confirm that Susan Merridew was buried in the cemetery. DHR archaeologists have confirmed that there appear to be additional burials in the area surrounding the Merridew gravestone. Staff plans to do additional research to find out who may be buried in the cemetery, and staff has contact information for a former owner of the property who may be able to provide additional information. Dr. Fairfax asked about the size of the cemetery. Ms. Musumeci stated that it has been delineated on several surveys and is less than an acre. Mr. McDonald added that there are about 10

to 20 burials judging from depressions observed in the area. Ms. Musumeci confirmed that the easement will identify the family cemetery and provide specific protections for its preservation.

Mr. K. Edwards presented the following three (3) easement offers:

**5. Todd's Tavern Tract, Spotsylvania Court House Battlefield, Spotsylvania County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 136.93 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Todd's Tavern Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

1. Confirmation from the title company that it is insuring against loss arising from its failure to record a former heir's refusal to exercise his right of first refusal.
2. Receipt of a letter from Spotsylvania County confirming that there are no current plans for a recreational trail on this Property and no requirement to include trail language in the historic preservation and open-space easement.
3. Receipt of a utility easement or containment letter for the undocumented utility line as shown on the November 1, 2021 boundary survey.
4. Resolution of the road acreage issue to the satisfaction of DHR.
5. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: Chair Lemon asked if the former heir is still alive. Mr. Edwards confirmed that the heir is alive. The heir indicated that he did not want the Property but the American Battlefield Trust had acquired the Property prior to getting formal documentation of the heir's right of first refusal. This is not an issue involving the heir still laying claim to the property but rather a break in the paper trail. Ms. Musumeci confirmed this and added that the title company may be trying to get the heir's formal confirmation that he declined the property and that staff may request that the title company insure against this in case the title company fails to obtain formal confirmation from the heir that he declined his right of first refusal.

**6. Pegram's Battery Tract, Cedar Mountain Battlefield, Culpeper County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust

Offer for 44.75 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VLCF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Pegram's Battery Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

1. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: None.

**7. Siegen Forest Tract, Chancellorsville Battlefield, Orange County**

Easement Applicant: The Memorial Foundation of the Germanna Colonist in Virginia, Inc.

Offer for 163.89 acres

Grant Funding: ABPP, VLCF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends approval of the Siegen Forest Tract easement offer, subject to the following conditions:

1. Revisions to the 2022 boundary survey to include all applicable utility easements, roads, and identification of the 6.8-acre area excluded area.
2. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: Mr. Ruth noted an error with the dating of the Battle of Chancellorsville on the first slide; it should be 1863, not 1864.

With a motion to approve the new easement offers #1-#7 by Mr. Harris and a second from Mr. Ruth, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

### **Easement Offer for Reconsideration**

Mr. K. Edwards presented the following easement offer for reconsideration:

#### **1. Downing Tract, First Kernstown Battlefield, Frederick County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust  
Offer for 35.95 acres  
Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF

The Easement Acceptance Committee recommends the Board reauthorize the Downing Tract easement offer, subject to the following revised condition:

1. Final review of title work, title commitment, survey, draft easement, and other recorded and unrecorded documents affecting title to the Property by the Office of the Attorney General. Per this review, counsel may identify additional issues that require documentation or action.

Comments Summary: None

With a motion to approve by Mr. Pollard and a second from Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Deputy Director Williams proceeded with a roll call vote. Dr. Atkins-Spivey, Dr. Fairfax, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ruth and Chair Lemon voted in the affirmative.

### **New Easements Recorded Since the December 2021 BHR Meeting**

Ms. Musumeci briefed the Board about the following recently recorded easements:

#### **1. Egger Tract, Williamsburg Battlefield, York County**

Easement Applicant: American Battlefield Trust  
Acreage: 245.40 acres  
Date Recorded: December 29, 2021  
Grant Funding: ABPP, VBPF, Surry-Skiffes-Creek-Wheaton Transmission Line Mitigation Fund, and U.S. Department of Defense Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Program (REPI)

Comments Summary: Chair Lemon stated that he cannot imagine a denser place of history in our state or our country: Native American, Revolutionary War and Civil War. Ms. Musumeci also mentioned that NPR reported on this site and that DHR staff is very excited about the property.

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

Chair Lemon adjourned the meeting of the Board of Historic Resources at 1:40 p.m.

### **STATE REVIEW BOARD**

At Virginia Department of Historic Resources Collections Study Room and online

#### **State Review Board Members Present**

Chair John Mullen  
Vice-Chair Dr. Jody L. Allen  
Eleanor Breen  
Jeffrey E. Klee  
Greg Rutledge  
Carol Shull

#### **State Review Board Members Absent**

Larissa Smith

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

David Edwards  
Lena McDonald  
Joanna McKnight  
Michael Pulice  
Aubrey Von Lindern  
Marc Wagner

**Guests (from attendees list in Webex and sign-in sheets):** Debra McClane; Mark Reed; Kate Sangregorio; Sadler & Whitehead

Chair Mullen called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m for discussion and consideration of the Preliminary Information Forms (informal guidance session).

The following Preliminary Information Forms were *endorsed*, unless otherwise noted, with the following comments. Note that the order below follows the agenda, not the order as presented during the meeting:

#### **Western Region**

1. Cliffview Mansion/ Cliffside Farm, Carroll County, DHR No. 017-5187, Criteria A, B, and C  
Also known as Cliffside, the originally 600-acre (now 22-acre) estate was acquired by Thomas L. Felts around 1900 and the house built 1904-08. Felts was nationally known for his detective and policing agency



responsible for primarily preventing coal miner labor strikes in West Virginia. His farm was also nationally known for raising Hereford cattle; impressive 1896 barn on property as well the Blue and Yellow cottages that appear to date from the early 20th century and may predate the house; former train depot on property. The property is possibly of national significance if more research justifies it.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to recommend that the property is eligible for the VLR and National Register. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. Dr. Clapp House, Town of Abingdon, Washington County, DHR No. 140-5054  
Originally from Massachusetts, Dr. Clapp built a mill on the property in 1821 and a house in 1828. The house, with later Victorian additions, is unusual for its water-struck bricks common only in New England; interior integrity of the house is moderate; a brick quarters on the property probably dates to the same construction period of the house; no trace of the mill survives.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Wytheville Bethel AME Church, Town of Wytheville, Wythe County, DHR No. 139-0028  
The church could be added to the existing Wytheville Historic District since it is only two buildings away from the boundary, but it was recommended eligible on its own merits as a significant African American church built in 1892. Although covered in vinyl siding, many of its exterior architectural features remain, and its interior integrity is also good. An adjacent parsonage should be included in a nomination.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

## **Northern Region**

1. Bel Air, Town of Front Royal, Warren County, DHR No. 112-0007, Criterion C  
Bel Air began as a ca. 1795 two-story brick dwelling with Federal-style details and one-story flanking wings. Later two-story side additions replaced the wings and a rear wing was added in the early 20th century. The house was remodeled in 1905 including the addition of a monumental portico, entrance treatment, and Arts and Crafts and Colonial Revival interior. One original mantel and overmantel from the original construction period appear to have survived. The property contains a 20th-century barn and garage, and a noncontributing pool and pool house. Another notable aspect is the property's association with Lucy Buck, a daughter of the owner of the house, who kept a detailed diary during the Civil War. The house figured prominently in the town's Civil War history, and more research may confirm that the house was used as a general's headquarters and the property may contain archaeological evidence of an encampment for both Union and Confederate soldiers.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Mr. Klee seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. Goodloe House, City of Staunton, DHR No. 132-5028, Criterion C  
This two-story, brick, Colonial Revival house was designed by architect Sam Collins of a well-known architectural firm in Staunton. Built in 1927, the house and adjacent garden, designed by well-known landscape architect Charles Gillette, is situated on a 3.7-acre lot in an early-20th-century neighborhood in Staunton. A gazebo designed by Gillette, but built recently by the current owners, is located in the garden. A contributing brick garage also is situated on the lot. The original architectural plans are in the possession of the Historic Staunton Foundation.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Jacob Miller House, Rockingham County, DHR No. 082-0252, Criterion C  
This 75-acre tract features a ca. 1830 brick house with a double sawtooth brick cornice, an 1870s bank barn, granary, and guest house. The house interior has good integrity including faux marbled paper on the stairs and mantels. Mr. Klee suggested the marbled paper appears original to the date of construction and not a later treatment.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Mr. Klee seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

4. Union Street School-Leesburg Training School, Town of Leesburg, Loudoun County, DHR No. 253-5117, Criteria A and C  
Located near the Leesburg HD, this Loudoun County-owned property contains a two-story frame building constructed in 1884. Originally known as Union Street School for the education of African American children, the schoolhouse has good interior integrity. A one-story addition was built in the 1930s and a brick 1962 elementary school is adjacent.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

## **Eastern Region**

1. Anne Hathaway Cottage, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-7826, Criterion C  
Built in 1927 in the Tudor Revival style and located in Windsor Farms, a noted early-20<sup>th</sup>-century residential subdivision in the City of Richmond, this house was inspired by the Anne Hathaway House in Stratford, England, and was one of the earliest dwellings to be constructed in Windsor Farms. Designed by architect Henry Morris and built by Saville Brothers, a Richmond construction firm, the house supposedly has some architectural features from Virginia House, an actual Tudor house transported from England and rebuilt in Windsor Farms.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Mr. Rutledge seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. Ashland Railroad Station, Town of Ashland, Hanover County, DHR No. 166-0001-0008, Criteria A and C  
This well-preserved railroad station designed by noted Richmond architect Duncan Lee, has good interior and exterior integrity. It is one of the few such stations in the region from the Jim Crow era that retains its original racially segregated spaces and facilities.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Mr. Rutledge seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Chesapeake Beach Historic District, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5672, Criterion A and C  
This residential and commercial neighborhood along the Chesapeake Bay and near some inland lakes contains mostly dwellings from a time when Chesapeake Beach was a mostly residential neighborhood of year-long residents and summer tourists. Most dwellings were built from the 1920s to 1950s and range from the Colonial Revival to Minimal Traditional styles. The proposed district also features an unusual Mission-style court of stuccoed dwellings. Mr. Klee asked the percentage of year round residents versus vacationers. Virginia Beach Planner Mark Reed stated this project was a follow up to an architectural survey conducted in 2018. More survey will follow outside the proposed boundaries of the district to appease Civic Association concerns that the district is too small. The number of noncontributing buildings

in the area affected the size of the proposed district. Dr. Breen stated there was potential for Native American archaeological sites in the district. Mr. Rutledge wondered if the area was developed according to a plan.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

4. Halifax Triangle and Downtown Commercial Historic District 2022 Boundary Increase, City of Petersburg, DHR No. 123-5522, Criteria A and C

This proposed district expansion mostly consists of commercial and residential buildings between the I-95 corridor to the east and downtown Petersburg to the west. The area also contains some small sections of the already listed Poplar Lawn HD and the Centre Hill HD. Ms. Shull questioned what was being nominated and raised issues about integrity of the area and individual resources; Dr. Breen suggested using historic maps to visualize the neighborhood before and after the construction of I-95 to determine how it was affected by the development that followed. Mr. Rutledge questioned the contribution of the high-rise hotel that is a prominent feature of the increase area. Petersburg Planner Kate Sangregorio stated that if the building is demolished, the lot must remain vacant because of its slope and proximity to a nearby stream. Other buildings in the proposed increase area might still be rehabilitated.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB concerning the PIF. Mr. Rutledge moved to table the PIF for further research. Vice-Chair Allen seconded the motion. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

5. Hermitage Road Warehouse Historic District 2022 Boundary Increase, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-7825, Criterion A

The expansion area contains mostly warehouses that post-date 1958 (the extent of the district's original period of significance) and would extend the POS for the district to 1965. However there also is an early twentieth century foundry that would be included. Dr. Breen and Vice-Chair Allen asked about the ethnic make-up of the labor force in the warehouses, especially the grenade factory. Mr. Klee asked if there were any architect-designed buildings in the expanded district. More research is necessary to address the question.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Mr. Mullen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

6. McKenney Library, City of Petersburg, DHR No. 123-0009, Criteria A and C

The McKenney Library was formerly a Petersburg mayor's residence, built in 1859 in the Italianate style, and is now located in the Poplar Lawn Historic District. The mayor's daughter bequeathed the dwelling to the city for use as a library. In 1960, African American students occupied the main floor of the building, which was designated for white patrons only, to protest the library's segregated spaces. This Civil Rights campaign eventually led to desegregation of the public building. Despite its use as a library, the original dwelling spaces have good integrity and many changes are reversible. The City of Petersburg and the McKenney Foundation sponsored the PIF.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Ms. Shull made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

7. Newsome Farm Cemetery, City of Virginia Beach, DHR No. 134-5670, Criterion A and Criteria Consideration D

In 1869, a number of formerly enslaved families purchased 21 acres of farmland in Princess Anne County, now the City of Virginia. An association was formed and one of the parcels was dedicated as a cemetery. The earliest marker dates to 1881 and among the graves are some veterans of the U.S. Colored Troops and WW I; the last burial was in the 1990s. The cemetery was noted in an African American neighborhoods survey in 2018. The cemetery now is totally surrounded by a modern residential subdivision. Mark Reed, Virginia Beach planner, noted no one entity appears to own the cemetery. Dr. Breen asked if descendants of those interred have been involved in the research. Mr. Reed mentioned the difficulty of finding descendants and that many African American neighborhoods and settlements in Virginia Beach have not survived because of encroaching modern development.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Klee made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

8. Sevilla Hotel, City of Richmond, DHR No. 127-5406, Criteria A and C

This Spanish Mission-style, multi-story, mixed use commercial/residential building was designed and built by Davis Brothers, prolific builders in early-20<sup>th</sup>-century Richmond. It was originally owned by Mordecai Florsheim, a notable early-20<sup>th</sup>-century Richmond entrepreneur who owned the largest laundry business in the city. Exterior and interior integrity is good with few major changes over the years.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Rutledge made the motion and Ms. Shull seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

9. South Garden, New Kent County, DHR No. 063-0031, Criterion C

The first and major section of the house is believed to have been constructed ca. 1820 with a mid-20<sup>th</sup>-century Colonial Revival addition, which is of good architectural quality according to Mr. Klee. The original woodwork in the Federal-style section is unusual for its bold reeding in the dado panels and mantels. The property owner plans to work with Carl Lounsbury, formerly of Colonial Williamsburg, to rehabilitate the house. Among several outbuildings are two—a wellhouse and equipment shed—that appear to be contributing. Chair Mullen mentioned the possibility of archaeological sites around the house and elsewhere on the property.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Klee made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

10. Warwick, Accomack County, DHR No. 001-0048, Criteria B and C

Warwick consists of an original 1.5-story block constructed of brick with glazed headers perhaps from the early- to mid-18<sup>th</sup> century with later additions. An earlier detached kitchen was attached to the house at a later date. Mr. Klee remarked that the house's exposed wooden roof pegs in the attic was very unusual and noted only in a few houses in the region. He recommended comparing this house with the Mason House (he believed), also in Accomack County, and checking out *The Chesapeake House* publication by Carl Lounsbury for a discussion of this unusual feature. Marcus Pollard, consultant, reported on the research already done on the property; Dr. Breen noted the probability of significant archaeological sites on the property. Ralph T. Whitelaw, a former owner and noted architectural historian of the Eastern Shore, likely is a significant individual and adds to the property's significance.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to approve the PIF to proceed. Mr. Klee made the motion and Vice-Chair Allen seconded. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Chair Mullen requested a motion for the SRB to adjourn. Vice-Chair Allen made the motion and Mr. Klee seconded. The SRB meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.