

**MINUTES
HISTORIC LANDMARK PRESERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

March 16, 2008

4:00 p.m.

**Ormond Beach City Hall
Training Room
22 South Beach Street
Ormond Beach, Florida**

I. Call To Order

Chairman Dr. Shapiro called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Members present were: John Adams, Ann Eifert, Geneva Jackson, Michael McQuarrie, Sue Parkerson, Dr. Philip Shapiro and James Stowers. Member excused were Carl Gerken, Sean O'Sullivan. Staff present was City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Senior Planner Laureen Kornel, Deputy City Attorney Ann-Margret Emery, Senior Planner Richard Benton and Recording Secretary Shá Moss.

Dr. Shapiro welcomed new member James Stowers to the Board and noted his background was in urban and regional planning.

III. Meet and Greet City Manager Joyce Shanahan

City Manager Joyce Shanahan noted she has seen some of the members around the City and at other meetings and wanted to introduce herself. She stated she was delighted to be on board and noted the community has been warm and welcoming. Ms. Shanahan thanked the members for their service to the community and that it was the high level of the grass roots efforts here in Ormond Beach that attracted her to this City. She stated she had an open door policy and asked the members to feel free to contact her directly at any time, and noted she wanted to be the community's liaison to the City Commission.

IV. Approval of Minutes – January 12, 2009

Dr. Shapiro stated the date for the open house in Members Comments section should be changed from “March 2” to “March 22”.

Ms. Parkerson moved seconded by Mr. McQuarrie to accept the minutes as amended of the January 12, 2009, meeting. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

V. Landmark Designation Application – 715 West Granada Boulevard (Three Chimneys)

Dr. Shapiro recused himself since he was on the Three Chimneys preservation committee. He passed the gavel to the former vice-chair, Sue Parkerson.

Ms. Parkerson opened the Public Hearing.

Ms. Kornel stated this was a Certificate of Appropriateness requested by Dr. Shapiro for 715 West Granada Boulevard also known as Three Chimneys. The property was owned by the State and managed by the Historic Society and was about 7.5 acres located on State Road 40 west of the Granada Bridge. The structure consists of rooms associated with sugar and rum production facility dating back to the 1700's. Grant funding has been used to stabilize the structure over the years. The ruins are considered one of the earliest in Volusia County, the technology pre-dates early revolution, and the site is a unique example of rum making during the British period. The brick bonding style is unique and also dates back to the British period and the industrial elements have been preserved and constitute a resource for education in Volusia County. The Site meets the criteria under Sections A, B and C. Staff recommends approval that the HLPB approve the designation of the structure located at 715 West Granada Boulevard to be added to the Ormond Beach Local Landmark List. As the applicant of the proposed landmark designation, Dr. Shapiro was invited to comment.

Dr. Shapiro stated the Historical Society has worked on this project for 16 years and putting it on the Local Landmark List was a big achievement. He noted they were also applying for designation on the National Register of Historic Places.

Mr. Stowers asked whether there were any plans for parking.

Dr. Shapiro stated there were restrictions on what can be done with the land, but they were looking into that issue. Should a favorable designation be reached with FDOT and the City, it would be a big step towards making the site a state park. Dr. Shapiro stated it was a long process.

Ms. Parkerson stated there were some parking spaces at the office. She noted this was long over due and was pleased with the outcome.

Ms. Kornel stated one reason the landmark designation may not have been pursued in the past was because the site used to be privately owned.

Ms. Eifert moved, seconded by Ms. Jackson that the Historic Landmark Preservation Board accepts staff's recommendation to approve the designation of the structure located at 715 West Granada Boulevard to be added to the Ormond Beach Local Landmark List. The motion passed unanimously. (6-0) Dr. Shapiro did not vote.

Ms. Parkerson closed the Public Hearing.

VI. Discussion Item

A. Historic Preservation Website

Mr. Benton stated he was in the process of redesigning the Planning Department website and was compiling information. The idea of the website was so that everyone could have access to meeting schedules, agendas, minutes, audio recordings, with links to historic places and national sites.

Dr. Shapiro stated the vice chair needed to be updated and Mr. Stowers needed to be added as a Board member.

Mr. McQuarrie asked whether the projects that the Board approved could be added as well, and if the site could be on the City's main page instead of having to search through the website.

Mr. Benton stated he only had access to the Planning Department's website, but would keep that in mind.

Ms. Kornel stated there was a list of 2008 projects that would be posted on the site as well, and she would make sure that the Board received a copy of that list.

B. EAR-Based Amendment: Historic (Cultural Affairs) Element

Mr. Benton stated the Department of Community Affairs found the evaluation and appraisal report sufficient, so the Planning Department was in the process of drafting the Historic Cultural Affairs Element. He noted changes were made to the title, and a few were made based on the 2004 Master Recreation Plan.

Ms. Kornel stated there really weren't a lot of changes to the Element and it was a follow up to what was proposed last year as part of the Evaluation Appraisal Report.

Ms. Parkerson noted on page 2, Section 1.2.10, the old coquina firehouse was privately owned and should be deleted.

Mr. Stowers stated there needed to be more clarity regarding "immediate vicinity" on page 8, Section 1.8.8.

Mr. Benton stated he would look into defining it better. He noted it would next be presented to the Quality of Life Advisory Board, and the Planning Board before approval by the City Commission.

Mr. Adams asked whether the Board could be updated on the status.

Mr. Benton indicated he would update the board on the status.

C. Stanley Steamer indoor display site

Laura Jones, 59 Amsden Road, stated the Stanley Steamer was the property of Ormond Beach, but was on loan to the race track in Daytona Beach. She stated according to the contract, the car can be recalled at any time at the request of the owner. Ms. Jones was stated a lot of pieces of Ormond Beach's history were disappearing, but a concern would be where it would be placed should it be returned. She wanted to make the public aware, for additional support, of where some of the items were and that they could be returned. Ms. Jones stated quite a few items have also been loaned to the Charlotte race track. She further noted that the City was going to discuss at their next meeting building a replica of the old Ormond Garage at the Birthplace of Speed Park. Ms. Jones stated she wanted to get more information on the type of material being used for the project because of the history of the cars that required constant maintenance that were in the park.

Mr. McQuarrie asked Ms. Jones whether she spoke with Daytona Beach race track regarding the Stanley Steamer.

Ms. Jones answered she had not yet spoken with Daytona Beach yet, but will make an appointment soon, because she wanted to see how the car was being displayed and where.

Ms. Parkerson agreed that the car should be in Ormond Beach.

Dr. Shapiro stated that a secure location for the car should be identified, but noted currently they were being displayed and in a safe place.

Mr. Adams stated there would be issues with bringing the car here, but noted people were able to see it in Daytona Beach and when they notice the information about Ormond Beach, it could make them inquire about Ormond Beach and prompt a visit. He stated he liked the idea that the car was on display, the City was being noticed, the car was being taken care of, and the City had the ability to recall the car at any time.

Dr. Shapiro thanks Ms. Jones for her presentation.

D. Three Chimneys Open House of March 22, 2009 between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. – Dr. Shapiro

Dr. Shapiro stated there was an Open House on Sunday, March 22, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and asked that everyone attend.

E. Handout – Updated Section 2-71 of the Land Development Code

Ms. Kornel stated there were five (5) amendments to the Land Development Code (LDC) and they were related to the procedures:

1. Include all necessary Public Hearings;
2. Removal of Certificate of Appropriateness for signs;
3. Defined grading as the movement of earth;
4. A few Scribner's errors were changed to correct the date from 1946 to 1950 and
5. Lincoln Avenue Overlay and Local Landmark List were updated.

Ms. Kornel stated the LDC would be amended again to add the Three Chimneys to the Local Landmark List and in a few months at such time the Rose Villa may also be added to the list.

VII. Member Comments

None

VIII. Public Comments

None

IX. Adjournment – Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shá Moss, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Dr. Philip J. Shapiro, Chairman