

City of Franklin Battlefield Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2016—7:30 AM
Training Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

Present: Ernie Bacon, Sam Gant, Sam Huffman, Alma McLemore, Mike Skinner, Sam Whitson, Pam Lewis, Jim Roberts, David Eagan, Clay Perry, Tim Stillings, Mary Pearce, Deborah Warnick (arrived 7:43), Thomas Cartwright (arrived 7:44)

Staff Present: Amanda Rose, Joey Bryan, Brian Walker, Lisa Clayton, Emily Hunter

Chair Whitson called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m.

Minutes: October 13, 2016 Meeting

Ms. Lewis moved to approve the October 13, 2016, meeting minutes as submitted. Mr. Skinner seconded the motion, and the motion passed 11-0.

Consideration of 2017 Chair & Vice-Chair

Mr. Skinner moved to nominate Ms. Lewis as the 2017 Chair of the commission. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Whitson moved to nominate Mr. Perry as the 2017 Vice-Chair of the commission. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Whitson stated they would start at the December 2016 meeting.

Consideration of 2017 Meeting Dates

Mr. Bacon moved to approve the 2017 Meeting Dates. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (14-0).

Update on Carter's Hill Battlefield Park

Mr. Walker stated the asphalt has been put down, and some of the fences are going back in, and there has been site clean-up.

Ms. Clayton stated Mr. Kevin Lindsey is working with the Engineering Department to look at crosswalk locations and signage. Ms. Clayton stated she would like to look at drafting a policy concerning donated items like statues, cannons, etc., and the placement of monuments on city park property. Ms. Clayton stated they would like to this commission's expertise as to where these items would be placed and how they should be accepted.

Chair Whitson suggested looking at the National Park Service's policies on similar matters.

Ms. Clayton stated they wanted to look at the cannon ball monument that is on the old Pizza Hut location to see if that is an authentic location to have it there or if it should be moved elsewhere.

Chair Whitson suggested a sub-group be formed to consider this location and drafting a monument policy.

Mr. Bacon moved to make a motion to form a subcommittee to consider forming a policy for cannons, monuments, etc. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (14-0).

Chair Whitson requested to know which five people should be and would like to be on the committee.

The volunteers and nominees for the subcommittee include Thomas Cartwright, Tim Stillings, Sam Huffman, Eric Jacobson, and Sam Gant.

Update on Federal Line Markers Proposal

Mr. Bryan stated they are working with TDOT and the Engineering Department to get approval for the markers along state routes and handed out example maps.

Ms. Rose stated there are three locations that require TDOT approval. Ms. Rose stated maps will be made of the other locations later.

Organization Announcements:

Ms. Pearce stated this year is the 100th National Park Service anniversary, the 50th anniversary of the Preservation Act of 1966 to create the National Register and National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the 20th anniversary of the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area. Ms. Pearce stated that these milestones were celebrated at the Franklin Theatre yesterday.

Ms. Rose stated the luminaries on November 30th will be placed along the Federal Line on both sides of the Columbia Pike with speakers reading the names of the casualties of the battle.

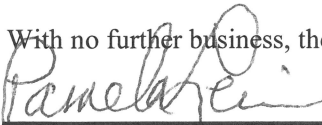
Mr. Cartwright stated the Lotz House is doing their annual blood drive on November 30th as well.

Mr. Bacon stated Franklin's Charge has approved the demolition contract for the Flower Shop, and work is scheduled to be completed in the month of December.

Ms. Lewis stated there will be a lecture at the Masonic Hall at 6 pm next Wednesday the 16th.

Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.



Acting Secretary