

**City of Franklin Battlefield Preservation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 10, 2018—8:00 AM**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Sam Gant, Sam Huffman, Pam Lewis, Rich Buckner, Alma McLemore, Alderman Scott Speedy, Megan Weisinger, Annabeth Hayes, Rachael Finch, Ernie Bacon (arrived 8:49), Clay Perry

**Staff Present:** Amanda Rose, Joey Bryan, James Svoboda, Brian Walker

**Call to Order:**

Chairwoman Lewis called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

**Minutes: April 12, 2018**

Mr. Huffman moved to approve the April 12, 2018 meeting minutes. Alderman Speedy seconded the motion, and the motion passed 10-0.

**Continuation of Discussion of Battlefield Commission Visioning Plan**

Ms. Rose thanked everyone for their comments. Ms. Rose stated the establishing ordinance for this commission was established in 2010 and that recent discussion has included potential name changes, potential purpose statement changes, and potential membership restructure. Ms. Rose stated she and Mr. Svoboda started making some suggested edits to the current ordinance. Ms. Rose stated the edits are in blue and red. Ms. Rose stated that if there is a strikethrough in text, it is proposed to be deleted, and anything underlined is proposed to be added. Ms. Rose requested everyone look over the document for any comments.

Everyone looked over the document and discussed. Some suggestions were requested to be made.

Mr. Svoboda stated the July BOMA meeting is July 10<sup>th</sup> and the deadline for adding this to that meeting June 26<sup>th</sup>.

After discussion, Mr. Gant moved to recommend the changes to the commission enabling ordinance to BOMA. Mr. Speedy seconded the motion, and the motion passed 10-0.

Ms. Rose stated that as we moved forward, an Action Plan will need to be created. Ms. Rose stated they would like to keep the plan at a 3 to 5-year range. Ms. Rose stated she would reach out to everyone individually for any suggestions.

Chairwoman Lewis stated she spoke with the Mayor about additional signage at the cemeteries and that the Mayor liked the idea.

Mr. Gant noted the DAR is in the process of placing small markers at the base of burials with less legible writing on their respective burial markers. Mr. Gant stated that they need additional funds to purchase more.

Mr. Svoboda stated they would reach out to everyone about the action plan and it could be discussed next month.

### **Parks Department Update**

Chairwoman Lewis requested to know when the goats would arrive at Fort Granger.

Mr. Walker stated he did not know when the goats and sheep would arrive to help clean up the overgrowth.

### **Organization Announcements**

Chairwoman Lewis stated moving is occurring right now to the new State Museum and that it will open in October.

Ms. Finch stated there is a limited run poster of the Masonic Hall available for purchase for \$20.

Ms. McLemore stated that Porch Talks occurs every first Friday of the month at the McLemore House. Ms. McLemore stated there will be a paver event on Memorial Day to recognize the USCT troops. Ms. McLemore stated Juneteenth is coming up on June 16<sup>th</sup> and that the AAHS educational scholarship fundraiser is on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Hayes stated the Heritage Foundation will be having their annual preservation awards on Monday and that symposium tickets are still on sale.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

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Acting Secretary