

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
) Horry County Board of Architectural Review
) and Historical Preservation
COUNTY OF HORRY) January 20, 2009**

The Horry County Board of Architectural Review met on Tuesday January 20, 2009 in multi-purpose room D of the Horry County Government and Justice Center at 1301 2nd Avenue Conway, SC. The following board members were present: Chairman, Mr. Joel Carter, Ms. Tamera Bergstrom, Mr. William Long, Mr. Bill Strydesky, Mr. Ben Burroughs, and Mrs. Sandy Carine. Staff members present: Adam Emrick, Curt Freese, and Vicki Stone. Guest present: Margaret Sheler, E.D. Singleton, Austin Woodward, Joe Sheldon Dew, Edgar L. Martin, Priscilla Dew Martin, Kenneth S. Corbett, and David Fisher.

In accordance with the SCFOIA, notices of the public meeting were sent to the press (and other interested persons and organizations requesting notification) providing the agenda, date, time, and place of the meeting. In accordance to the Horry County Ordinance a minimum of a twenty-one day notice was given.

Mr. Carter called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m. Mr. Long led the invocation. A valid quorum was present for voting purposes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Strydesky made a motion to approve the minutes of October 21, 2008. Mrs. Carine seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing of Cemetery properties and Structures to the Horry County Historic Property Register- Mr. Emrick gave a brief description of each addition to the Register as they were presented, with a Power Point presentation for both Board members and the public guest. Each presentation included the name of the cemetery or structure, property name, owner name, address, parcel number, aerial photograph, condition of cemetery or structure, number of gravesites, previous inventories oldest grave, oldest marker, number of markers, and any notes of interest. They were presented as follows:

- **Brentwood Restaurant** – Mr. Long made a motion to approve the Brentwood Restaurant to the Horry County Register. Mrs. Carine seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- **Martin Cemetery-** Ms. Bergstrom made a motion to approve the Martin Cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mr. Strydesky seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Montgomery-Wilson Cemetery-** Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the Montgomery-Wilson Cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mrs. Carine seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Tilly Swamp Baptist Church Cemetery** – Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mrs. Bergstrom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Smith Cemetery** – Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mr. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Singleton Family Cemetery** – The representatives for the Singleton Family Cemetery mentioned the property boundary for the cemetery had changed, but it had been surveyed and recorded and a copy had been given to Mr. Emrick. They also mentioned that they thought the oldest grave was actually dated from the 1830's. Mr. Long made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mr. Burroughs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Dew Cemetery** – Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mrs. Carine seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The owners of the Dew Cemetery were present during the motion.
- **Woodstock Cemetery** – Mr. Fisher, the developer of the subdivision where the cemetery is located was present during the hearing. Mr. Emrick introduced Mr. Fisher and mentioned Mr. Fisher had an Archeological Survey done of the Cemetery during the development of the subdivision and included the cemetery as open space within the development. Mr. Fisher asked a few questions concerning the designation of the cemetery to the Historic Register such as, access to the cemetery and the actual boundaries the register would cover. Mr. Fisher asked about placing a wall around the Cemetery and the Board suggested presenting a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Board to review. Mr. Fisher said they would be happy to submit a map for the Board to review. Mr. Fisher said the cemetery was originally associated with the Longwood Plantation. Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the cemetery to the register. Mr. Strydesky seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Old Graham Cemetery** – Mrs. Carine made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mr. Burroughs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Kenneth Asbury Graham Cemetery** – Mr. Strydesky made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Ms. Bergstrom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Red Oak Cemetery** – Mr. Long made a motion to approve the cemetery to the Horry County Register. Mr. Strydesky seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

After the public hearing Mr. Strydesky asked if there were any requirements for owners who would be placing new markers or replacement markers in cemeteries that were on the Historic Register. Board members said there was not and that they did not want to dictate what type of monuments owners could place on gravesites. They mentioned it may be a good idea to have an ongoing educational program where items are sent out periodically to groups who are responsible for the cemetery upkeep with suggestions. Mr. Emrick said he could review the language in the cemetery preservation brochure to see if there is something they could add into it that helps people respect the integrity of the cemetery. Mrs. Sheler said she was looking for guidelines to help place markers on graves that are without them. Mr. Burroughs also asked Mr. Emrick if he could change the Inventory Sheet to read the Oldest Marked Grave instead of the Oldest Grave.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Old Bethel Cemetery – Application Kenneth Corbett – Mr. Kenneth Corbett was the acting representative for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Old Bethel Cemetery property owner Dr. Eugene Wade. The property owner wanted to cut a number of trees pine trees down in order to add a

driveway and several new burial plots. They submitted with the application a site plan showing existing gravesites, new gravesites, and additional new gravesites. After some discussion by the Board, Mr. Burroughs made a motion to approve the request of the owner on the condition that the owner plant five live oak trees within the cemetery area, minimum of 20 gallon containers each, care being taking not to be placed in any interference with gravesites, future way of power lines, and upon approval of a Board member. Mr. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Horry County Register of Historic Places Discussion – Status Update- Mr. Emrick updated the board on the register inventory. Forty- Seven Properties have been added to the Horry County Historic Property Register and Twenty-One more will be presented to the County Council for the 1st reading on January 20, 2009.

Newly Inventoried Properties – Mr. Emrick gave a brief description along with a Power Point presentation for the newly inventoried property. They were presented as follows:

1. **The Livingston House**
2. **Price Cemetery**
3. **Watts Cemetery**
4. **Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery**
5. **United Baptist Church Cemetery**
6. **Daniel Edge Cemetery**
7. **St. Joseph’s Cemetery**
8. **Riverview Live Oak Tree**

Countywide Historic Survey Update – Mr. Emrick had no current update for the Board.

Galivants Ferry District- Mr. Emrick had no current update for the Board.

Green Sea District – Mr. Emrick had no current update for the Board.

Historic Preservation Plan- Public Meetings- Mr. Emrick recapped the Little River public meeting highlighting the information they received from the people that attended the meeting. The meeting created some productive dialog among the attendees and there is now a grassroots movement that has started at the C. B. Berry Community Building for the Little River area.

Nichols/Floyds – High Hill Baptist Church – Mr. Emrick said he would like the next public meeting in February to be held at the High Hill Baptist Church. The High Hill Baptist Church has submitted a C.O.A. for the February meeting which includes some roofing repairs and replacement windows.

NEW BUSINESS

Little River Historical and Cultural Committee:

- i. **Little River Waterfront Historic District-** Mr. Emrick mentioned the grass roots movement that has started and is interested in exploring and protecting the Little River downtown area.

They are interested in protecting the docks, trees and homes in the downtown area. They are evolving and moving into a fruitful committee.

ii. Recognize Historic Trees – They are interested in saving and recognizing historic trees in this same area.

iii. McCorsley House- The property owner want to tear this home down and replace it with several smaller homes. The property owner is receptive to someone removing the home, but it would have to come from private funds. Mr. Burroughs suggested Mr. Walter Hill may be interested in having it moved to the farm. Mr. Carter suggested placing an ad for the home to be moved and would like to see the Board install a better form of communication with the public on this sort of information.

iv. Warren and Marcia Walker of Littler River T.V. com have a web page where they are trying to get some Historic information placed on this web page.

v. Scanning Party – Mr. Emrick mentioned the scanning party with the museum they would be having at the C. B. Berry building. Mr. Carter suggested having people place several pictures on one page so they could scan more pictures at time.

New Equipment the Board has received – Mr. Emrick gave the Board a quick review of the Ground Penetrating Radar unit and the five GIS hand held units. He told the Board that they would receive training in February.

DISCUSSION

Next Meeting – February 17th, 2009 at 1:00 – Mr. Emrick mentioned to the Board that the meetings had been advertised at the end of December to start meeting at 1:00 p.m. instead of 12:30. The Board members mentioned changing the time to either an earlier time or a later time so it would not break up the day as much. They decided to meet next month at 1:00 p.m. then discuss the time when more members were present.

Live Oak Tree – Mr. Emrick mentioned the Live Oak Tree ordinance was very close to being presented to the Planning Commission this month, possibly next month.

Mrs. Carine mentioned Mrs. Oehler was the speaker at the last Horry County Historical Society meeting and she did an outstanding job.

Mr. Carter asked Mr. Emrick where the board stood as far as historical markers were concerned. Mr. Emrick said there were no monies in the budget for any markers. Mr. Carter mentioned that even with out monies it was a good idea to keep it open, for members to be working on having places in mind for new markers and have the language ready so that when monies came available they could have everything in place to have them ordered. He mentioned the marker at Bear Bluff at Vereen Gardens. Mr. Burroughs said the one in Little River about the Reverend Whitefield is missing and would be a good marker to start with because the language is already accepted they would just have to order it. Mr. Burroughs also mentioned he was still working on the language for the marker at Bear Bluff but was trying to verify some of the language to make it as accurate as possible. Mr. Carter also suggested sections of the East Coast Greenway would be a good place for some research on Historical Markers. The City of Myrtle Beach was working on one to be placed on the path on the backside of Pine Lakes County Club.

Century Farms – Mr. Emrick brought the subject of Century Farms before the Board members saying that they were recognized by the state, and there were only two farms that was registered with the state in Horry County and thought it would be a good idea to have them recognized on the local register.

With no further business Mr. Strydesky made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

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ATTEST:

Adam Emrick, Senior Planner