The Horry County Board of Architectural Review met on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, in Multi-purpose room B of the Horry County Government and Justice Center at 1301 2nd Avenue in Conway, SC. The following Board members were present: Chairman Joel Carter, Vice Chairman Bill Strydesky, Elaine Gore, William Long, James Thompkins and Ernestine Allen. Staff members present: Adam Emrick and Alicia Shelley. Guest present: Steve Powell, Windy Gause, Don Moore and Bennie Moore.

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.

Joel Carter called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. Mr. Bill Long gave the invocation. A valid quorum was present for voting purposes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ernestine Allen made a motion to approve the minutes of August 16, 2011 and October 25, 2011. Jamie Thompkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

A. Waccamaw Presbyterian Church – Steve Powell, Engineer and Windy Gause, adjoining land owner were introduced and sworn in. Steve Powell gave an overview of the project explaining that Waccamaw Presbyterian Church is proposing to remove several trees from the parcel on a currently wooded area south of the Historic Cemetery. He stated that they are also proposing a construction entrance abutting the cemetery to allow for this work to proceed. Once the trees are removed the wetland area will be filled in. They will then be putting in a pipe to allow for proper drainage. Windy Gause wanted clarification as to why her family received a letter and how it would affect their property. Adam informed her that all neighbors within 500 feet of the parcel that is requesting a change are notified so they are aware of what is happening in their neighborhood. The board assured Ms. Gause that her property would not be affected in any way as a result of the removal of the trees. After much discussion, Jamie Thompkins made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Waccamaw Presbyterian Church as written. Bill Strydesky seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Outreach Recap –Adam informed the board of the following presentations that he has or will be doing:

1. October 19 – Guest Lecture for CCU’s OLLI Program on Local History
2. October 20 – Guest Lecture for CCU’s Cultural Resource Management Class
3. October 27 – Mandatory CLG Coordinators Meeting in Columbia – Cemetery Project to be presented.
4. November 2 - Presentation for the Loris Garden Club
5. November 7 – UK Connection
6. November 17 – Georgetown County Cemetery Project Demonstration
7. March 2012 – Landmark and Preservation Conference in Columbia – Cemetery Project to be presented.
Newly Inventoried Properties – Adam presented the Buck’s Upper Mill Farm, Cedar Creek Cemetery, Forest Lawn Cemetery, Pleasant Plains Cemetery, Mt. Zion AME Church Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery and The Waccamaw Cypress Tree as newly inventoried properties.

BOARD DISCUSSION – Joel Carter stated that he had been approached by Herbert Riley to support or help encourage an event to recognize the role of African Americans that have favored Myrtle Beach as their favorite destination. He stated that Mr. Riley has several quotes from Presidents, etc. that have visited Myrtle Beach. He thought it might be a great cause to recognize and protect our local history. Adam recommended getting together with himself, Mr. Riley, Joel Carter and the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce.

Bill Strydesky asked for the BAR’s mission statement and a work plan for 2012 to be discussed at the January meeting.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2012.

With no further business, Bill Strydesky made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by William Long. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.
HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

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Joel Carter, Chairman

Bill Strydesky ________________________________
Tempe Oehler ________________________________
William “Bill” Long ____________________________
Elaine Gore ________________________________
James Thompkins ______________________________
Ernestine Allen ______________________________
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ATTEST:

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Adam Emrick, Senior Planner