The Horry County Board of Architectural Review met on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 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: Bill Strydesky, Sam Dusenbury, Christy Douglas, James Thompkins, David Mannen and Carolyn Dillian. Staff present: Mary Catherine Hyman and Lashay Miller.

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.

Chairman Carolyn Dillian called the meeting to order at approximately 2:35 PM.

Approval of Minutes – February 17, 2015 – Bill Strydesky made a motion to approve the minutes and James Thompkins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

I. Certificates of Appropriateness – None.

II. Public Hearings - None.

III. Special Tax Assessment Application - None.

IV. Old Business.

A. 2015 Action Plan.- Mary Catherine Hyman briefly went over the Action Plan that was discussed at the last meeting. The Board agreed to schedule a Legacy Business Ceremony and a Patriot Tree Ceremony every quarter.

B. Historic Preservation Awards Nominations. - Mary Catherine Hyman went over the award nominees from the last meeting. Carolyn Dillian stated it may be best to recognize the Garden Clubs as a whole. The Horry County Museum has offered to host the Awards at the McCown Auditorium. The owner of the home on 707 Elm St is also nominated for the award. Bill Strydesky also nominated Carolyn Dillian. Bill Strydesky made a motion to approve the Garden Clubs, the owner of 707 Elm St., and Carolyn Dillian for the Awards and Sam Dusenbury seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The awards ceremony will be held on May 19th, 2015.

V. New Business.

A. Outreach.

i. 2/14/15 – Parker Farm.-Mary Catherine Hyman advised the board that this Century Farm will be coming up next month. Mary Catherine has visited the farm, and is working on the application to submit to the state for the SC Century Farm Program.
ii. 2/27/15 – Longwood Plantation Cemetery. - Mary Catherine Hyman visited this cemetery in which there are numerous vaults that are decomposing. The Blackmoor Golf Course is working to repair these graves.

iii. 3/4/15 – Patriot Tree Scouting at 5th & Elm in Conway. - Mary Catherine Hyman advised the board that we are working on this Patriot Tree and getting the appropriate information together for it as the next ceremony.

iv. 3/9/15 – GPR Sandy Island Cemetery. - Mary Catherine Hyman visited this location to help with locating several unmarked graves.

v. 3/11/15 – Patriot Tree Scouting at Aynor Library. - Mary Catherine Hyman stated that we will have a Patriot Tree Ceremony on May 8th at 11:00am. She is working with the Aynor-Galivant’s Ferry Historical Foundation to identify trees and soldiers.

B. Newly Inventory Properties - None.

C. Election of new Chairperson. – Carolyn Dillian reiterated that this would be her last meeting and would no longer be a part of the Board because she is moving to another County. Carolyn nominated James Thompkins to fill her spot as the Chairperson. Bill Strydesky seconded the motion and the members voted with the motion carrying unanimously. James Thompkins accepted. The board decided it was best to save the discussion for Vice-Chairperson for the next meeting so more members would be present.

Discussion-
Carolyn Dillian opened the floor for discussion. James Thompkins asked about CCU’s WW1 project. Carolyn Dillian stated that the project intends to honor the soldiers, as well as their families that were still here during the war. The project intends to reach out to the community to tell stories about what their families had to go through at home. There is nothing that the BAR can do at this time, but Mary Catherine Hyman is going to reach out to Coastal Carolina University to see how the board could assist in the future. James Thompkins asked if Conway National Bank could be the next Legacy Business Recognition, and Mary Catherine Hyman will contact them. James Thompkins also asked if there was any update on the progress of Kings Highway and Mary Catherine Hyman advised that she would have a report on that for the next meeting. Christy Douglas asked about doing some type of documentary on the Big Red Barn in Galivants Ferry, and the board agreed that this would be a great project for the High School Video Contest.

Next Meeting will be April 21, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

Adjourn – Sam Dusenbury made a motion to adjourn. James Thompkins seconded. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.