

City of Franklin Battlefield Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 11, 2014—7:30 AM
City Training Room
Meeting Minutes

Present: Ernie Bacon, Dianne Christian, David Eagan, Thomas Flagel, Sam Gant, Pam Lewis (arrived 7:55), Mary Pearce, Jim Roberts, Mike Skinner, Jay Sheridan, Deborah Warnick (arrived 7:50), Sam Whitson, Sam Huffman, Alma McLemore, JT Thompson

Absent: Robert Huff, Eric Jacobson, Mike Grainger

HZC Members Present: Susan Besser, Lisa Marquardt

Guests: Steve Fritz, Gary Vogrin, Charlie Smith, Hunter Moss

Staff Present: Amanda Hall, Susan Coleman, Deanna Scheffel, Lisa Clayton, Kevin Lindsey, Brian Walker, James Bilbo, Paige Cruse

Chair Sheridan called the meeting to order at 7:37 a.m.

Ms. Hall introduced the guests, additional Park staff, and HZC members who were attending.

Minutes: October 9, 2014 & November 13, 2014 Meetings

Mr. Whitson moved to approve the meeting minutes for October and November. Mr. Skinner seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (13-0).

Consideration of 2015 Chair & Vice-Chair

Mr. Skinner moved to nominate Mr. Sam Whitson as Chair for 2015. Mr. Bacon seconded that motion, and the motion passed unanimously (13-0).

Mr. Whitson moved to nominate Mr. Ernie Bacon as Vice-Chair for 2015. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (13-0).

Discussion of Carter Hill Battlefield Park Master Plan Proposal

Mr. Whitson made a motion to endorse this proposal that was presented to BOMA. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (13-0).

Ms. Pearce stated this would provide the funding for the flower shop and the building next door and, in turn, the property could be turned over to the City.

Mr. Whitson stated he sent Ms. Hall an electronic copy.

Ms. Christian stated she has sent out 2,000 cards for support and donations to support the battlefield efforts.

Discussion of 2014 Accomplishments & 2015 Goals

Discussion ensued on the 150th events and the success of the events.

Ms. Hall stated the commission needs to give BOMA an update of what the commission has accomplished this last year and what the commission would like to do in 2015. Ms. Hall requested everyone send her goals & accomplishments and she would compile a list and bring back to commission at January meeting to go over.

Ms. Pearce stated she hopes the Carter Hill is Park would be a priority.

Mr. Gant stated he would like Federal Line Markers added to the list.

Ms. Hall stated the sign survey should be added to the list.

Mr. Skinner stated some protection should be built into the Land Use Plan for battlefield land.

Ms. Pearce stated a focus should be put back on the US 31 South study.

Ms. Hall stated there is now an infill working group to evaluate the Zoning Ordinance and addressing concerns or issues involving infill. Ms. Hall stated the Columbia Avenue Overlay and Murfreesboro Road are being reviewed.

Ms. Pearce stated we could look at other communities for corridor protection.

Chair Sheridan stated everyone should think on goals and bring back to next meeting.

Discussion of Comprehensive Parks Master Plan

Mr. Fritz stated they want to have a conversation today with the commission. Mr. Fritz stated they are currently in the stakeholder input phase and one method is focus groups and this is the 11th session. Mr. Fritz stated they have talked to a various range of stakeholders. Mr. Fritz stated they have had one public meeting and will be holding another one later on. Mr. Fritz stated a survey has been sent out to get feedback as well. Mr. Fritz stated after all input is received, there will be a needs assessment done to see what exists and what is needed for the future. Mr. Fritz stated a draft report will be available in May.

Announcements & Other Business:

- **Parks Update**

Ms. Scheffel stated that the Civil War Trust Park Day will be scheduled for March 28th.

Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 a.m.

Acting Secretary