Capitol Hill Restoration Society Board Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2018

Capitol Hill Townhomes Community Building, 750 6th St. SE Washington DC

The following members were present:

Chuck Burger, Michelle Carroll, Maygene Daniels, Monte Edwards, Joanna Kendig, Undine Nash, Elizabeth Nelson, Susan Oursler, Gary Peterson, Beth Purcell, Janet Quigley, Angie Schmitt, and Nina Tristani.

The following members were absent: Adam Apton, Susan Burgerman, Greg Holeyman, Lisa Dale Jones, Steve Kehoe, Patrick Lally, and Tina May.

Jill Uvena was also present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Minutes

The August minutes were read. Corrections were offered by Beth Purcell and Janet Quigley. Beth made a motion to accept the minutes with amendments and Undine seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Adam was not present for the meeting, but had prepared a Treasurer's Report which the members reviewed.

Historic Preservation Report

Beth reported on two cases that were considered by the DC Preservation Review Board.

A case at 121 Tennessee Avenue, NE involving a three story rear addition had been ruled against in July, but the DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) agreed to reconsider the case at the request of the applicant. HPRB reconsideration of applications without major changes is highly unusual. The CHRS Historic Preservation Review Committee recommended against the application because the proposed addition would adversely affect the alleyscape. Ultimately, the application was approved by a 3-2-1 vote, with one member voting present.

Zoning Report

Gary submitted a report on three cases that the Zoning Committee considered on October 8. The committee recommended against a proposed substantial addition to 329 16th Street, SE. The owners are scheduled to present a revised proposal in December.

Home Expo

The House Expo will be held on October 21 in the Eastern Market North Hall. Michelle reported that 26 organizations will be represented at the event. Jill will send an email to all CHRS members about the event. Jenks Hardware will be present, and will be making keys for two dollars. Jenks will donate forty cents for each key made to CHRS.

Volunteers are needed for the day of the event.

Solar Tour

Joanna reported on the U.S. National Solar Tour. Each year, the American Solar Energy Society organizes a tour of solar use locations throughout the country. This year over 700 buildings were on the tour nationwide, including one home on Capitol Hill. Joanna pointed out that historic homes on Capitol Hill can utilize solar technology.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43.