Capitol Hill Restoration Society Board Meeting
Minutes for January 16, 2018
Capitol Hill Townhomes Community Building, 750 6th St. SE Washington DC

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The following members were present:
Elizabeth Nelson, Monte Edwards, Adam Apton, Susan Oursler, Joanna Kendig, Tina May, Janet Quigley, Beth Purcell, Chuck Burger, Greg Holeyman, Gary Peterson
The following members were absent:
Patrick Lally, Susn Burgerman, Michelle Carroll, Steve Kehoe, Lisa Dale Jones, Nina Tristani, Undine Nash
Also present were: Carl Spier and Angie Schmidt
The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

Minutes
Two amendments were made to the December minutes. Chuck made a motion to approve the minutes with amendments, and Monte seconded.

Treasurers Report
Adam reported that CHRS has started using online banking so that money can be moved from account to account more efficiently. The general checking account is used for Swampoodle Grants and the Dick Wolf lecture series. Currently, there is $123,009 in the Swampoodle account and $2,761 in the Dick Wolf account. Adam also reported that CHRS has $17,000 remaining from the 2013 Smart Settlements monies. Elizabeth agreed to check the 2013 minutes to for the agreement on excess funds.

President's Report
Elizabeth reported that St. Mark’s Episcopal Church is asking for CHRS support of their application for a Bricks and Mortar grant from the DC Preservation League's Preservation Initiative Grant from the Midcentury and Religious Properties Fund. St. Marks has hired a consulting firm to document work needed to repair brick and stone. The grant would be for the actual cost of the masonry work.
St. Mark’s provided CHRS with a draft letter in support of their proposal. Elizabeth proposed some changes to the letter. Although St. Mark’s reported that the work would not require HPRB approval, Monte pointed out that such approval would be required.
Chuck made a motion to accept the letter with Elizabeth's changes, and Beth seconded. The measure was agreed to by voice vote.

Planning Committee
Monte presented a draft letter regarding DDOT's proposed Southeast Boulevard. Some changes to the letter were requested, and Monte asked for approval of the letter as modified. Susan seconded the motion. The measure was agreed to by voice vote.

Dick Wolf Lecture
Monte reported on the status of the Dick Wolf lecture. He is expecting two proposals, and recommended that the deadline be extended slightly due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

**Historic Preservation Committee**
Beth reported on her testimony before the Historic Preservation Review Board on the property at 618 6th Street, NE. The property has new owners and a new proposal which CHRS supports.

**House Tour**
Janet reported that six or more houses had been identified for the tour, and that the committee is visiting houses now. Elizabeth asked the Board to encourage people to enter photos for the photo contest. Chuck asked if information about the photo contest was posted on Facebook – it is.

**Zoning Committee**
Gary reported that there was only one case before the zoning committee in the past month. It involved a lot bounded by Pennsylvania Avenue, C Street, Second, and Third Streets, SE. The applicant wishes to construct a two story, one unit house with a small side yard for garbage storage and a garage. This was a second proposal from the applicant. The committee voted to approve this proposal.

**Preservation Cafes:**
Joanna suggested we might want to consider a solar panel discussion for one or more preservation cafes.

**Comprehensive Plan:**
Beth announced a meeting about the Comprehensive Plan at the Southeast Branch Library at 1:30 on Saturday, and encouraged board members to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.