

**Capitol Hill Restoration Society Board Meeting
Minutes for December 18,2018**

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

The following members were present:

Maygene Daniels, Monte Edwards, Joanna Kendig, Patrick Lally, Elizabeth Nelson, Susan Oursler, Beth Purcell, Janet Quigley, and Angie Schmidt.

The following members were absent:

Adam Apton, Chuck Burger, Susan Burgerman, Michelle Carroll, Lisa Dale Jones, Tina May, Undine Nash, Gary Peterson, Greg Holeyman, and Nina Tristani.

Jill Cullinane and Larry Pearl were also present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

Minutes

The November minutes were read. Janet made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Maygene seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

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

President's Report

Elizabeth stated that Adam Apton had notified her of his intention to resign from the Board effective December 18, 2018 (the current date). Elizabeth recommended Susan Oursler, the Board's current secretary, to serve the remainder of Adam's term as Treasurer, and recommended Jim Thackaberry to fill the remainder of Susan's term as secretary. Joanna made a motion to approve these recommendations, and Angie seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Also, Greg Holeyman has resigned from his position as Chair of the Environment Committee. The person in this position has managed the Preservation Cafe series. An effort will be made to find someone who can assume that responsibility.

Elizabeth told the Board that City Councilman Charles Allen is asking citizens to sign a petition asking Mayor Browser to fight against a proposed new NFL stadium at the old RFK location.

Elizabeth recommended that the following individuals serve on the committee to recommend officers and members of the CHRS Board for the 2019-2020 term: Nancy Metzger (Chair), Monte Edwards, and Beth Purcell. Joanna made a motion that the Board accept these recommendations, and Patrick

seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Historic Preservation Report

There was no Historic Preservation Review Board Testimony.

Zoning Report

Gary was not present at the meeting. There was no zoning report.

Southeast Branch Library

Beth will send landmark building nomination for the South East Branch Library Building.

Union Station EIS

Beverly Swam-Staley, USRC President and CEO, has requested an opportunity to brief the CHRS Board on the progress on the draft EIS which will be issued in March. After some discussion, it was decided that a better course of action would be for the CHRS to sponsor a panel discussion which would be open to the public in late February or early March. City Council Charles Allen, Beverly Swam-Staley, and representatives of the Committee of 100 would be asked to attend. The panel could include Dru Tallant, Patrick, Beth, and Joanna. Patrick agreed to contact the National Trust for Historic Preservation regarding Section 4(f) of the Transportation Act which prohibits USDOT from using land from public and private historic properties unless there is no alternative. Angie agreed to look for a location for the meeting.

Swampoodle

CHRS is responsible for managing a grant program for homeowners in the Swampoodle neighborhood. These grants, limited to \$5,000 each, help homeowners restore facades and improve energy efficiency. Originally, the energy grants were available to homeowners in square 752 only. Patrick has been working to get more applicants, but noted that most people in the original square have already benefited from the program. He suggested that the Board expand the energy grant program to all four squares in the Swampoodle area. It was reported that Gary had reviewed the expansion proposal and said that the plan was within the parameters of the original PUD. Joanna made a motion that the Board expand the energy grants to residents of squares 752, 753, 777, and 778. Monte seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Dick Wolf Lecture

Monte reported that plans are progressing for the annual Dick Wolf Memorial lecture. He submitted a timeline for this year's program. The 2019 review committee will consist of Monte Edwards, Beth Purcell, Muriel Wolf, Jeff Fletcher, Tina May, and guest reviewer Stephen Hansen. Space for the March 29 lecture has been reserved at the Hill Center and letters of invitation to potential participants were ready to be mailed. Patrick volunteered to follow up with Catholic University to encourage their participation. Lisa will work

with the winner to develop a meaningful lecture, and Michelle will organize the reception. Susan B. will be the point of contact for the panelists. Elizabeth will contact the Hill Rag about publicity for the event.

Environmental Concerns

Joanna reported on plans for RFK and Reservation 13, and on the DC Smart Lighting project.

Angie made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Patrick seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.