

**Capitol Hill Restoration Society
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2022**

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm at the Northeast Branch Library.

Members Present: Beth Purcell (Presiding), Nick Alberti, Chuck Burger, Maygene Daniels, Monte Edwards, Beth Hague, Joanna Kendig, Tina May, Undine Nash, Elizabeth Nelson, Gary Peterson, Angie Schmidt, Jim Thackaberry

Absent: Joanna Kendig, Jackie Krieger, Christine Mullins, Karine Semple

President's report: Beth Purcell

President Beth Purcell introduced the pending action item to name an additional member to the 2022 Nominations Committee. Beth Purcell, Elizabeth Nelson, Nancy Metzger and Christine Mullins were elected to the committee at the December 2021 meeting.

Motion: Nick Alberti moved that Brian Alcorn be elected to the Nominations Committee. Jim Thackaberry seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Motion: Angie Schmidt moved approval of an \$800 Little League sponsorship payment. Elizabeth Nelson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Motion: Gary Peterson moved to approve the grant proposal for \$5,000 for Lyons, 716 3rd Street, NE, submitted by the Swampoodle Grant Committee. Jim Thackaberry seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Secretary's report: Maygene Daniels

The Secretary submitted minutes for the meeting of December 15, 2021.

Motion: Jim Thackaberry moved approval of the December minutes. Elizabeth Nelson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved

Treasurer's report: Nick Alberti

The Treasurer reported that approximately \$5500 was received from the 2021 CHRS end-of-year fund-raising appeal.

He reported that funding for approximately 12 further Swampoodle grants remains.

City Planning - Affordable Housing: Monte Edwards

David Perry is working with Monte Edwards to develop a recommendation for funding affordable housing on Reservation 13. They are planning to turn to the model used for the Capitol Hill Townhomes development.

Preservation Cafés: Christine Mullins

For the May Preservation Café, Peter and Tina May will present a program on their experiences removing permastone from their townhome.

House Tour: Elizabeth Nelson

The annual photo contest to encourage interest in the house tour is underway.

Walking tours of alleys, architecture, and the industrial past are being planned for the weekend of Saturday and Sunday March 26 and 27.

Jackie Krieger and Etta Fielek are working to resolve issues associated with advertising from the canceled 2020 house tour.

Plans call for walking tours to run simultaneously with the traditional tour, which will have fewer houses than typical. Hill Center and St Peters church have agreed to host the tour. Nancy Metzger will be talking to Christ Church. There also will be virtual tours. Final program content will be due by April 1.

Historic Preservation: Beth Purcell

Beth Purcell introduced a request that CHRS support the pending nomination of the Park View neighborhood as a new historic district. Park View is the neighborhood immediately north of Howard University. Extensive materials supporting the nomination are available on-line.

Motion: Jim Thackaberry moved to table the question pending an opportunity to study the nomination. Elizabeth Nelson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Membership: Maygene Daniels

CHRS membership numbers continue to be stable. During the month total CHRS membership, including life and complimentary memberships, decreased minimally by two, from 256 to 254. One membership was added, and there were 19 membership renewals.

The spreadsheet of expired memberships will be made available to Board members on a Google drive so that individuals can be approached to encourage renewals.

Ad Hoc Membership Committee report: Chuck Burger, Jackie Krieger, Maygene Daniels, Angie Schmidt, Beth Hague, Nick Alberti.

Maygene Daniels reported that CHRS membership data is being prepared for bulk import to the fully configured JoinIt database.

Office manager Jill Uvena entered letters associated with membership into JoinIt templates for review.

Chuck Burger presented the action plan of the Ad Hoc Website Redesign Committee (Angie Schmidt (chair), Jackie Krieger, Maygene Daniels, and Karine Semple. Monte Edwards has joined the group.) The plan calls for contracting with Nathaniel Liu to build a demonstration website in keeping with his initial prototype: CHRS.squarespace.com Password: chrs The Committee will monitor progress and report to the Board. Extensive collaboration, input, and comments are expected.

Motion: Nick Alberti introduced a motion to approve the framework proposed by the Ad Hoc Website Redesign Committee and to approve up to \$500 for website contract services. Chuck Burger seconded the motion which carried with a vote of 13 in favor and none opposed. Elizabeth Nelson and Beth Hague abstained.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and unanimously approved.