

Capitol Hill Restoration Society
Board of Directors Meeting
December 14, 2022

President Angie Schmidt convened the meeting at 6 pm at the Northeast Neighborhood Library, 330 7th Street NE.

The meeting was limited to essential business to allow time for the special report on Mott's Neighborhood Market.

Members Present:

Nick Alberti, Maygene Daniels, Joanna Kendig, Jackie Krieger, Tina May, Christine Mullins, Undine Nash, Elizabeth Nelson, Beth Purcell, Angie Schmidt, Jim Thackaberry

Attending Remotely: Monte Edwards

Members Absent: Fynnette Eaton, Delancy Gustin

Also Present: Jill Cullinane (Office Manager/Bookkeeper)

Mott's Neighborhood Market, 233 12th Street SE – Michael Skinner, President of the Board of Mott's Neighborhood Market LLC, presented information concerning the history of the Mott's Market building and his organization's plans for its future. The structure was built in 1916 to house a first-floor market with an apartment above. The neighborhood corporation has successfully purchased the building, closing on October 6, 2022. Plans are to seek proposals for a first-floor business. The second-floor apartment will be occupied in the near future.

Secretary's Report – Maygene Daniels

Daniels presented corrected minutes of the November Board meeting, noting that Chuck Burger had been present.

Motion: Jim Thackaberry moved that the corrected November minutes be approved. Chuck Burger seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Nick Alberti

The Treasurer presented financial reports to the Board, which were accepted without discussion.

President's Report – Angie Schmidt

The President announced that she is reaching out to possible members for the 2023 Nominating Committee. She invited suggestions.

Eastern Market Swimming Pool – Chuck Burger

In addition to serving on the CHRS Board, Chuck Burger is president of EMCAC, the Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee. Board member Jackie Krieger is also on the Committee.

Burger provided information concerning city plans for renovation of the Rumsey Swimming Pool adjacent to Eastern Market, and invited CHRS to join with other organizations in sending a letter to appropriate officials seeking a strong community voice in the planning process. Given the short time period, Burger proposed that the CHRS President be authorized to sign such a letter as appropriate.

Motion: Beth Purcell moved to authorize CHRS President Angie Schmidt to sign a joint letter concerning the swimming pool, should she consider it appropriate. Gary Peterson seconded the motion. The motion carried: 9 in favor, 4 in opposition.

Historic Preservation – Beth Purcell

Beth Purcell presented the Historic Preservation Committee report. HPRB approved the nomination of Buchanan School Plaza/Peter Bug Academy to the DC Inventory of Historic Sites. HPRB returned the proposal concerning 616 Lexington Place to the applicant for further development.

Communications Committee – Elizabeth Nelson

Five members of the Communications Committee, Elizabeth Nelson, Angie Schmidt, Fynnette Eaton, Lisa Truesdale and Libby Quaid, met during the month to begin discussions of CHRS communications.

House Tour Report – Jackie Krieger

Jackie Krieger and Angie Schmidt reported that house selection for the tour is now underway, with excellent possibilities for the 2023 and 2024 tours. The likely footprint for the 2023 tour will be south of East Capitol St. and east of Eastern Market. The committee is inviting suggestions of additional houses.

Preservation Cafes – Christine Mullins

Christine Mullins announced that the next Preservation Café will be on Tuesday January 17, 6:30 pm, when Kimberly Springle, Executive Director, Charles Sumner School Museum and Archives, and Jen Harris, Executive Director, *The Story of Our Schools* will give a presentation on this subject. Registration is via Eventbrite. A date in March or April is being considered for Robert Pohl to speak at a CHRS in-person member meeting on the history of Eastern Market in association with the Market anniversary. On May 16, Joanna Kendig will give a virtual presentation on city infrastructure, such as water and sewers. No Preservation Café is planned for February.

Motion to Adjourn

Jim Thackaberry moved that the meeting be adjourned. Undine Nash seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.