



SUMMARY MINUTES

Historic Preservation Board
Broward County Governmental Center
115 S. Andrews Ave., Conference Room 430 , Ft Lauderdale, FL
Thursday, September 20, 2018 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

Sheldon McCartney, Chair Derek Davis, Vice Chair
Jeff Schwartz Cynthia Strachan-Saunders

County Staff

Darby Delsalle, Assistant Director Matt DeFelice, Archaeological Consultant
Rick Ferrer, Historic Preservation Officer Ben Crego, Assistant County Attorney

Attendees

William Gallo

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order by Chair at 6:18 PM. The Vice Chair lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by Rick Ferrer; a quorum was present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance lead by the Chair.

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Member Jeff Schwartz moved to approve meeting minutes for July 19, 2018, as is. Vice Chair Derek Davis seconded. All in favor, motion passes.

IV. Introduction

The HPO introduces the new assistant director of the Planning and Development Management Division, Darby Delsalle who spoke about his background and was welcomed by members of the board.

V. Public Hearing

No public present. Staff is sworn in for testimony. The HPO presents the Kaye Stevens House (House No. 1) for consideration by the board for a recommendation for designation. A short musical video is shown to introduce Ms. Stevens, as singer/performer. The video was followed by a power point presentation outlining the historical and civic background of Kaye Stevens and association with the house. Staff noted that the City of Margate provided a letter of support for designation. Staff noted that the owners have not provided comments for support nor objection to designation. Based on the information presented, member Cynthia Strachan Saunders moved to recommend designation by the board. Motion was seconded by member Derek Davis. All in favor, motion passes.

VI. Old Business

A. Historic Preservation Ordinance Amendment – Update

Mr. Delsalle stated that the County Commission passed a motion to direct the County Attorney's Office to begin work with drafting language in consideration with previous discussion. Once a draft is completed, copy shall be shared with the board and municipalities that aren't currently CLGs for review.

B. Board Vacancies

A list of the current four HPB vacancies was included for the board's consideration. A former Broward County Historical Commission member, Roberto Fernandez the board had previously noted was contacted for possible service on the HPB. The Chair will forward a letter of support to the Commissioner who would handle the appointment and contact others who may be interested in serving as members.

C. Historical Markers

Miami-Hollywood Speedway and Hollywood Sportatorium.

Matt DeFelice presents a series of aerial photographs which help locate the Miami-Hollywood Speedway and Hollywood Sportatorium. Images with potential marker locations are also shown. Discussion ensued regarding potential locations. The board stated a preference for a location near an entrance road to a local fire rescue facility ('location #4'). The board decided to conduct individual field visits to review possible marker locations. Motion: Member Jeff Schwartz made a motion for staff to come back with draft language for markers, site summaries and historical images for the sites. Motion was seconded by the Chair. All in favor, motion passes.

D. Loxahatchee Airboat Rides & Tours ('Gator Acres')

Matt DeFelice reports on research to date on 15490 Loxahatchee Road. The former proprietor for the business (Lyle Thomas) was contacted for information and the site was visited. More information is needed and records outside of Broward County may have to be reviewed.

E. Pioneer Day 2019

Cultural Division will be represented at next HPB meeting. Former HPB Chair William Gallo noted he spoke to Pompano Beach mayor Lamar Fisher. The mayor is interested in the City hosting the next Pioneer Day. Event date is set for May 11, 2019. Motion: Member Derek Davis offers motion to approve City of Pompano Beach for hosting Pioneer Day, seconded by member Jeff Schwartz. All in favor, motion passes.

F. HPB Next Meeting

Due to historic marker and Pioneer Day discussions Board decides to have next meeting before November. Motion: Member Cynthia Strachan Saunders offers motion for next meeting on October 30, 2018, seconded by Jeff Schwartz. All in favor, motion passes.

VII. New Business

- A.** Presentation of a certificate of appreciation to former HPB Chair, William Gallo, HPB Chair. Member Cynthia Strachan Saunders sings a song of appreciation. The HPO provided Mr. Gallo with a historical Life magazine issue.

VIII. Remarks by the Chairperson

No comments made.

IX. Announcements by Board Members

Member Derek Davis noted the following: Old Dillard School Museum is affiliating with Walker Elementary School. Educational/cultural development type activities expected for the near future. Pompano Beach placed a historical marker at the City's former Coleman Elementary School ('Pompano Colored' School') location. Ely Museum to reinstall materials that were removed and reopen as a museum. Member Cynthia Strachan Saunders notes an October anniversary date for the Bowles-Strachan House as a Broward-designated historic site as well as the rezoning of the area around the house. The Chair noted that the Miami-Hollywood Speedway reunion group's car show and reunion event on September 30th. The Chair also notes that the Government Center Building's mechanical stairs, an original feature of the Burdine's department store period. Member Derek Davis added information that the County's Government Center site had been black railroad worker's quarters prior to the department store period. Member Jeff Schwartz noted a Day of the Dead art installation in Chicago by a father of a student lost during the Parkland school tragedy this year.

X. Adjournment

Motion: Member Schwartz offers a motion to adjourn. Member Strachan Saunders seconds the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

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