

History Commission Minutes

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 6 pm
James Island Arts and Cultural Center
1248 Camp Road, James Island, SC

Call to Order: 6:04 pm

Attendance: Wendy Shelton, Michael Williams, Jim Morrisette, Jay Reese

Changes to Agenda: Cancel Regina Ruopoli add new business regarding Magistrate house on Maybank.

Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2024: Brief discussion about canceled Field Trip. No negative feedback regarding cancellation. Wendy moved to accept minutes. Michael seconded. Minutes approved.

Old Business

1. SC250 Driving Tour. Wendy explained that Regina Ruopoli of Rosewood Productions was no longer available to do the audio production for the project, but that there is another candidate, Evans Byrd experienced, local tour guide who has experience producing audio tours. Wendy made a motion to proceed with writing an RFP using guidance from Mike Hemmer. Discussion followed regarding whether to list a price cap in the RFP and how to specify the final product format. The Commission also wanted more information about post-production support for technical issues or content correction. Wendy amended her motion to table the RFP until the next meeting when everyone would have more time to explore other downloadable driving tours and how they worked. Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed.
2. Driving Tour Content: Wendy shared the stops and general outline for content at each of the stops that she and Jim had suggested. She then made a motion to proceed with the development of content using the stops as outlined. Michael seconded. Motion passed.
3. Review plan for Dedication of the Pinckney's tombstone in its new location. Since Inez was absent, Michael reported that he had looked into a replacement for the headstone. Discussion followed about relocation and logistics. Michael said he could volunteer to do it. Wendy made a motion for Michael to investigate and present a written plan addressing the logistics of the movement of the original tombstone and construction of its replacement, including who, how, where and how much money. Michael seconded the motion. Discussion followed that no dedication ceremony could be planned until this was in place. Motion passes.
4. Proposal for marker at the Three Trees Schools (Inez and Randy) Tabled until Inez and Randy could present.
5. Presentation of Communications Plan. Wendy shared highlights of the plan. Discussion followed regarding questions for the survey portion of the plan, how often to send material and in what format. Wendy Motion to accept draft as presented and continue refining. Jim seconded. Motion passed. Members will suggest survey questions for the next meeting.
6. Presentation of Proposed budget for FY 7/1/24-6/30/25 (Mike and Jim) Motion to approve the budget as it is. Discussion Jim seconded. Motion passes.

New Business

1. Meeting Calendar and Project/Events calendar for coming year: Jim and Michael will make a draft to present at next meeting.
2. Inquiry from citizen regarding Magistrate building on Maybank. No one was familiar with the property. Jay will research.

Adjournment: 7:30 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday June 11 at 6 pm