

Historic Preservation Commission

Regular Public Hearing

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

The City of Villa Rica Historic Preservation Commission met in a regular public hearing on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Wallace Hibbard; Commissioner William Mitchell; Commissioner Valerie Wilhelm; Commissioner Patricia Proctor; Community Development Director Taurus Freeman; and Zoning Technician Rita Peele. Commissioners Lotti and Schwarzkoph were absent without notification. There were no members of the public in attendance.

Chairman Hibbard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Old Business: Commissioner Proctor motioned to approve the September 8, 2009 minutes, with Commissioner Wilhelm seconding. The motion carried 3/0. Chairman Hibbard suggested tabling approval of the logo since Commissioner Lotti wasn't present.

New Business: Commissioner Hibbard presented some sample plaques for Recognition Certificates. Freeman suggested Recognition Certificates could also be presented to local historians or other persons that have spent significant time in the chronicling of Villa Rica. Commissioners Proctor and Wilhelm will form a sub-committee to investigate cost, size and content of certificates.

Freeman announced that Ernest Blevins is now the Chairman of the Fullerville Jail Committee. There was some discussion about funds for the jails and the recently erected fence surrounding it.

Freeman will provide a list of the cities in Georgia that have adopted design guidelines.

Dr. Ann McCleary gave Freeman a status of the historic inventory. In September all information collected from the inventory will be entered into the computer along with addresses of all the photos taken of the sites. During October all the forms and records will be reviewed for accuracy and researched for all historical information in each district. During November the final report will be organized and a disc prepared in thumb drive, of all the pictures.

Other Business: The Commissioners and Freeman reviewed the first several pages of the draft design guidelines and had some suggestions for change. Freeman is going to do some research on a question of painting the exterior of historic structures and will notify the commission of the findings. Commissioner Hibbard is going to revise the draft for changes and will forward the revision to the commissioners.

Public Comments:

There being no other comments, Commissioner Proctor motioned to adjourn at 8:15 p.m., Commissioner Wilhelm seconded and the motion carried 3/0.

Historic Preservation Chairperson and Date

Community Development Director