

Spotswood Cultural and Heritage Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2023

Present: Brian Engstrom, Jack Eichenlaub, Gary Castellano, Chuck Hager, Chris Borzuku, Guest Fred Devoe and Bruce Eckman.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jack Eichenlaub
2. Minutes were distributed. Motion to accept by Gary Castellano. Motion passed.
3. Devoe Lake project. The removal of the trees planted by the boy scouts was discussed. Gary suggested replacing them with pink and white dogwoods with memorial sponsorship. Chris cautioned that dogwoods are fragile and maybe another species should be used. Decided that Jack will ask mayor if town wishes to go ahead with this idea.
4. Glass display case for historical items has been delivered and installed in the Municipal building. Upstairs outside the clerk's office. Jack has the key. Bruce Eckman has about items which will be put in the case. Jack has asked Robbie from the Fire Dept for a few items, Chris Hager told him they are collecting some. He also asked the police chief who said they display their stuff in their locked headquarters. Jack will ask the mayor if the case may be moved to a location with electric outlet. The lights need to be plugged in.
5. Matt Obrien from the road dept has started to mulch the plantings around our historic markers.
6. Jack met with the Mayor and Director of the Office on Aging to do a trolley tour during the day for seniors. It was agreed that we would do them on a Monday Wednesday or Friday from 1pm to 3 PM. Bruce and Chuck would present on each trolley. Office on aging members would be given first access. If vacant seats still exist then the public would be invited. Jack will work with the office on aging for a good date over the summer.
7. Presentation at Senior Center in October on a Saturday from 10 AM to 1130 Am was discussed and was approved. Jack will work out a date with the office on aging. Chuck and Bruce will present.
8. Jack suggested we do a walking tour of Princeton architecture or eateries. He will arrange a date this summer.
9. Jack moved that we cancel the 3D imaging. He was told that we could switch the funding to another project. The group agreed with the funding shifted to buy equipment to assist Joe Schwartz with the document imaging.
10. Chris indicated that some of our flags on telephone poles are in bad shape and suggested we take an inventory.
11. Chuck indicated that he will serve as Secretary through December when another member would need to take over the minutes.
12. Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Hager, Recording Secretary