

MINUTES OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WEST POINT

PLANNING BOARD MEETING, November 2, 2010

The meeting was opened at 7:04 PM by President Ty Bland.

The minutes from the October 13th meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Richard Hosfield reported a balance of \$12,431.71 and a \$10,000 CD.

Bill Palmer reported that the next newsletter is to go out in April 2011.

Jim Dopp reported that the next quarterly meeting will be held on January 16, 2011. The speaker will be David Grimes, an archaeologist from Jamestown. Jim also reported that he plans to send letters to the local civic organizations in an effort to obtain a history of each of them. Jim brought up the idea of contracting with a telephone service to remind members of the quarterly meetings. The estimated cost would be five cents per call. He also suggested that we investigate purchasing an outdoor sign to publicize the quarterly meetings. He said that he would bring the cost of a sandwich board to the next monthly business meeting.

Donald O'Connor suggested a monthly newsletter to be e-mailed to the membership as well as being placed on the website.

Avie Williams reported that she and Pemmy are working on cataloguing items for the museum.

There was no fundraising report. We still have no information from the funds from the Chesty Puller run. Tickets are ready for the Christmas on the Town home tour. Volunteers are needed.

It was suggested that Patrice Preston Givens a grant writer from Charlottesville be invited to the December 7 board meeting, however it was decided that the Christmas Party would be held in lieu of a board meeting. The party will be held on December 8, at 6:00PM at the Cawley home. Everyone should bring a dish to share. Ms. Givens will be contact for a date suitable to her to make her presentation to the board.

It was reported that the FCC has signed off on the deal with the Town for the cell tower money to be released fairly quickly for the virtual museum project. Gary will contact the Mayor for further details.

Jim Dopp reported that ACE Movers estimated to move the Ashley Store building would be in the \$50,000-75,000 range. Additional costs for a foundation and utility connections would put the move at an estimated \$250,000 or greater. Several society members visited the Beverly Allen School. Ty will contact the agent to say that we have an interest in the building, hoping they will consider a refundable contract.

A grant was submitted to the Olsson Foundation. April is the next meeting of the Foundation.

Some concern was expressed that refreshments have stopped at the quarterly meetings and people aren't lingering to chat. We will resume the refreshments for the January quarterly meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Juanita Cawley

Recording Secretary