



State of Vermont
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
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Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
April 19, 2018
Calvin Coolidge Conference Room, National Life Davis Building, 6th Floor
Montpelier, Vermont

Council Participants: John Vetter, Chair, Archaeologist
Edward Clark, Citizen Member
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian
Paul Wyncoop, Citizen Member (arrived at 9:28)
Blaine Cliver, Historical Architect
David Donath, Historian (arrived at 9:20)
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member

Historic Preservation

Staff Participants: Laura V. Trieschmann, State Historic Preservation Officer
Dale Azaria, General Counsel
Devin Colman, State Architectural Historian
Tracy Martin, State Historic Sites Administrator
Elsa Gilbertson, Regional Historic Site Administrator (via phone)
Jenni Lavoie, Administrative Assistant

Chair John Vetter brought the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

I. Introduction with New Council Members

Council members introduced themselves and welcomed new council member Joseph Luneau, who was appointed by Governor Scott as a citizen member; this seat was previously held by Ron Kilburn.

II. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

III. Public Comment

John Vetter opened the meeting to public comment. There were no public comments.

IV. Review / Approve March 22, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Edward Clark made a motion to approve the March 22, 2018, minutes with one edit, and Britta Tonn seconded. Motion carried 4-0, with 1 abstention.

V. Dale Azaria – General Counsel

Dale Azaria, General Counsel for the Department of Housing and Community Development, reviewed the state code of ethics, conflict of interest policies, and Vermont's open meeting laws. As well as procedures for operating within the open meeting law, and how those apply to the council's email communications, voting, and recusal.



Additionally, Ms. Azaria reviewed the Advisory Council's role in the Act 250 process with regard to the Criterion 8 requirements involving historic resources. Some of the determinations and decisions made by the council are delegated to the Division for Historic Preservation for comment and testimony on behalf of the council.

VI. National Register Nomination

Hubbardton Battlefield – Additional Documentation

Devin Colman presented the additional documentation for the Hubbardton Battlefield National Register nomination. Division staff recommend that the additional documentation be recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, D, and Criteria Consideration F. Tracy Martin, State Historic Sites Section Chief, and Elsa Gilbertson, Regional Historic Sites Administrator, were available to answer council's questions. After review and discussion, Paul Wyncoop made a motion that the additional documentation for Hubbardton Battlefield meets the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and recommend that the State Historic Preservation Officer approve the nomination. Blaine Cliver seconded. Motion carried 6-0, David Donath stepped out of the room.

VII. Determination of State Register Eligibility

J. Quinlan Farm, 6300 Spear Street, Charlotte

Devin Colman presented a review of the former J. Quinlan Farm at 6300 Spear Street, Charlotte. Division staff recommend the property eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places under Criterion C. Per the owner's request, the property is being determined eligible by the council, but not being listed in the State Register of Historic Places. After discussion and review, Edward Clark made a motion that the J. Quinlan Farm is eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places; Paul Wyncoop seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

VIII. State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) Report

Laura Trieschmann provided council members with the following updates:

The Division just successfully completed their 4th Annual Consultant Training, held at UVM's Alumni House, involving over forty consultants with seventeen of those new to the training.

John Sandor, the National Park Service's Tax Credit Reviewer for Vermont, presented at the consultant training and also met with approximately twenty architects, developers, consultants, and housing funders to discuss how window repair and replacement are reviewed for the Federal Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credits.

The Division currently drafting a traditional cultural property nomination for Rock Dunder, a sacred Western Abenaki location in Lake Champlain off Shelburne Point. This will be the first TCP in Vermont.

Programmatic Agreement (PA) updates included a new PA with FEMA that is expected for signatures any day and an update that the Division continues to work with VTrans and FHWA on the accompanying manual to the PA.

The Division submitted the application for partial apportionment of the Historic Preservation Fund, which represents 60% of the Division's operating and personnel costs.

The Historic Sites Administrator Team comprised of Tracy Martin, Elsa Gilbertson, William Jenney, and Marylou Chicote will be honored during the State's Public Service Recognition Week, which



includes lunch with the governor. The four administrators oversee nine State Historic Sites that receive approximately 65,000 visitors annually.

Scott Dillion, Survey Archaeologist, with the Division since 1994, was recently recognized by the National Park Service as holding the professional knowledge, skill, and ability commensurate with Standards to be recognized as 36CFR qualified for Prehistory Archaeology.

IX. Meeting Schedule:

May 24, 2018 at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, Vergennes

June No Meeting - June 8 Historic Preservation and Downtown Conference, Bristol

July 26, 2018

August – No meeting

X. Adjourned at 12:10 p.m.