



State of Vermont
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
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Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
May 24, 2018
Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, Vergennes, Vermont

Council Participants:

Edward Clark, Citizen Member
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian
Blaine Cliver, Historical Architect
David Donath, Historian
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member

Absent:

John Vetter, Chair, Archaeologist
Paul Wyncoop, Citizen Member

Historic Preservation

Staff Participants:

Laura V. Trieschmann, State Historic Preservation Officer
Devin Colman, State Architectural Historian
Jess Robinson, State Archaeologist
Scott Dillon, Survey Archaeologist
Jenni Lavoie, Administrative Assistant

Vice Chair Edward Clark brought the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

II. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

III. Public Comment

Edward Clark opened the meeting to public comment. There were no public comments.

IV. Review / Approve April 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Blaine Cliver made a motion to approve the April 19, 2018, minutes with no edits, and Britta Tonn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

V. National Register Nomination

Hospital Building #1, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 215 N. Main Street, White River Junction, VT

Devin Colman presented the nomination submitted by the Veterans Administration (VA) for Hospital Building #1, VA Medical Center in White River Junction, for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. As the nomination was submitted by a federal agency, a formal vote by the council was unnecessary; formal concurrence or disagreement from the SHPO is required for the nomination to go forward. A letter of concurrence from the SHPO will be submitted to the VA and will outline the support of the council.

VI. Paleobotanical & Paleofaunal Database



Jess Robinson, State Archaeologist, gave a presentation on recently compiled plant, animal and wood species identifications from Vermont precontact archaeological sites reported to the Vermont Division of Historic Preservation (VDHP) in concluding regulatory documents or in academic or public outreach publications since the 1970s. Jess noted some trends in the data and then stated that the data is now available to the public on the Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center's website.

VII. Act 250 & Environmental Predictive Model for Locating Pre-Contact Archaeological Sites

Jess Robinson and Scott Dillon discussed the role of the council for Act 250 specifically pertaining to archaeology. The discussion focused on archaeological sites that have the potential to yield information and provided council members with an understanding of the Predictive model that is used to evaluate if a site has the potential to yield archaeological information. The Advisory Council approved the Predictive model in 2002 and reaffirmed it in 2015.

VIII. Roadside Historic Marker

Pleasant View Farm / UVM Miller Research & Educational Center, South Burlington

Laura Trieschmann presented the Roadside Historic Marker text and location information for Pleasant View Farm / UVM Miller Research & Educational Center, South Burlington. This marker is the result of mitigation for the demolition of White Farmhouse.

Currier Park, Barre

Laura Trieschmann presented the Roadside Historic Marker text and location information for Currier Park in Barre.

David Donath made a motion to approve each marker with edits as discussed, and Joseph Luneau seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

IX. State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) Report

Laura Trieschmann provided council members with several updates, including State Historic Sites opening for the season on Saturday, May 26, with a new exhibit at the Chimney Point State Historic Site; the final approval by the legislature and governor for additional funding of \$14,000 through the capital bill for the State Roadside Historic Marker program and \$100,000 for the maintenance of the State Historic Sites; a request for termination has been submitted to the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regarding the Programmatic Agreement (PA) between the SHPO, VTrans, and the Federal Highway Administration. Laura and Scott apprised the council members of an ongoing situation in Highgate at an area of land owned by the Division known to contain unmarked burials. The land is at risk of eroding into the Missisquoi River due to recent severe weather that has destabilized the banking.

X. New Business:

Meeting Schedule:

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

July 26, 2018

August – No meeting

September 20, 2018

XI. Adjourned at 12:15 p.m.