



State of Vermont
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
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DRAFT MINUTES
To be approved on October 22, 2020

Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
September 24, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
GoTo Virtual Meeting

Council Participants: Edward Clark, Chair/Citizen Member
Paul Wyncoop, Vice Chair/Citizen Member (absent 9:30-10:05)
David Skinas, Archaeologist
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian (left 10:05)
David Donath, Historian
Blaine Cliver, Historical Architect
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member

Staff Participants: Laura Trieschmann, SHPO
Devin Colman, State Architectural Historian
Matt Shoen, VDHP Intern

Guests: Jeff Nick, property owner of Midtown Motel (left 10:05)

Mr. Clark opened the meeting at 9:08 am.
The meeting was not recorded.

- I. Welcome
- II. Changes to the Agenda
 - No changes to the agenda
- III. Public Comment
 - No public comment
- IV. Review/Approve July 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - Ms. Tonn made a motion to accept the minutes; motion was seconded by Mr. Cliver.
 - Motion passed 7-0.
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes
Mr. Wyncoop: yes
Mr. Donath: yes
Mr. Clark: yes
- V. Survey and Inventory Program Update



- Mr. Colman provided a review of the various documentation efforts of SHPO: survey, inventory, listing/designation. He noted survey is the action of identifying/locating archaeological resources. Inventory is the documentation of information, recording existence or loss of a resource no matter the date. He explained the terms are being used interchangeably, giving the false impression. An example is the Historic Sites and Structures Survey, which suggests its is significant/historic/designated. SHPO is changing the name of our survey and inventory program, providing forms specific for archaeology, architecture, landscapes, bridges, stone culvert, and cemeteries.

VI. State Register of Historic Places: Determination of Eligibility

- Mid-town Motel, 230 Main Street, Burlington
 - Mr. Colman presented the determination of eligibility finding, which was requested by the owner as part of Burlington's local permitting process. Notice was made to the city, CLG coordinator, owner, and Preservation Burlington. Research was completed by consultant Britta Tonn of VHB, who provided details from her site visit and documentation findings. The building was constructed in 1956 and has been closed since 2005. Recommendation by consultant and supported by VDHP that the building is not eligible due to loss of integrity. Advisory Council discussion about integrity as it relates to a mid-century design and the larger context of the neighborhood block.
 - Mr. Clark made a motion in consideration of the staff recommendation and determination of eligibility documentation presented to the council to deem the Midtown Motel eligible for the State Register of Historic Places/Mr. Skinas seconded the motion. Ms. Tonn recused herself.
- Motion does not pass 2-3; Property not eligible for State Register.
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: no
Mr. Cliver: yes
Mr. Luneau: no
Ms. Tonn: recused
Mr. Wyncoop: absent
Mr. Donath: no
Mr. Clark: yes
- Cadeaux Farm, 829 Reynolds Road, Georgia
 - Mr. Colman presented the determination of eligibility documentation requested on behalf of the property owners. Notification to selectboard, historical society, community and regional planning commission. Farmhouse and barn date from 1890s, other buildings added between 1971 and 1996. He noted the lack of integrity, alterations and non-historic and recommended it is not eligible for the State Register.



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- Mr. Cliver made a motion in consideration of the staff recommendation and determination of eligibility documentation presented to the council to deem the Cadeaux Farm eligible for the State Register of Historic Places/Mr. Luneau seconded the motion.
 - Motion does not pass 0-6; Property not eligible for State Register.
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: no
Mr. Cliver: no
Mr. Luneau: no
Ms. Tonn: absent
Mr. Wyncoop: no
Mr. Donath: no
Mr. Clark: no
- VII.** State Register of Historic Places: Listing
- Cutler House, 6888 Route 18, Waterford
 - Mr. Colman presented the nomination for State Register listing, requested by the previous and current owners. Notification to owners, selectboard, Vermont development association, community, and historical society. Period of significance is c. 1845 under criterion c for architecture.
 - Mr. Cliver made a motion in consideration of the staff recommendation and nomination presented to the council to list the Cutler House in the State Register of Historic Places/Mr. Wyncoop seconded.
 - Motion passed 6-0; Property listed in State Register.
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Ms. Tonn: absent
Mr. Wyncoop: yes
Mr. Donath: yes
Mr. Clark: yes
- VIII.** Roadside Historic Site Marker Approval
- Historic Vernon Union Church, Vernon
 - Ms. Trieschmann presented the application for the Historic Vernon Union Church marker, which was proposed by Vernon Union Church, Inc.
 - Mr. Wyncoop made a motion to accept staff recommendation for the placement and text of the Historic Vernon Union Church Roadside Historic Site Marker; Mr. Skinas seconded.
 - Motion passed 6-0
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Ms. Tonn: absent



Mr. Wyncoop: yes
Mr. Donath: yes
Mr. Clark: yes

- Hinman Settler Road, Greensboro
 - Ms. Trieschmann presented the application for the Hinman Settler Road marker, which was presented by Greensboro Historical Society. The discussion focused on the last sentence; the recommended language was “however, the road north encouraged settlement.” SHPO will work with the applicant on the wording.
 - Mr. Clark made a motion to accept staff recommendation for the placement and text of the Hinman Settler Road Roadside Historic Site Marker with revisions; Mr. Cliver seconded.
- Motion passed 6-0
 - Rollcall vote
 - Mr. Skinas: yes
 - Mr. Cliver: yes
 - Mr. Luneau: yes
 - Ms. Tonn: absent
 - Mr. Wyncoop: yes
 - Mr. Donath: yes
 - Mr. Clark: yes
- Site of French Fort at St. Anne, Isle La Motte (reinstall)
 - Ms. Trieschmann presented the reinstallation of the Site of French Fort at St. Anne marker in Isle La Motte. The 1948 text referenced “white settlers” and the marker was removed for editing. In collaboration with St. Anne’s Parish, the text was expanded, and one side of the marker translated into French. Verification of the translation of “bishop” will be made with the applicant.
 - Mr. Clark made a motion to accept staff recommendation for the placement and text of the Site of French Fort at St. Anne Roadside Historic Site Marker with verification of translated text; Mr. Skinas seconded.
- Motion passed 6-0
 - Rollcall vote
 - Mr. Skinas: yes
 - Mr. Cliver: yes
 - Mr. Luneau: yes
 - Ms. Tonn: absent
 - Mr. Wyncoop: yes
 - Mr. Donath: yes
 - Mr. Clark: yes

IX. SHPO Report

- Ms. Trieschmann provided the following SHPO update:
 - VT SHPO has been selected for technical assistance by the National Park Services’ Rivers, Trails, and Conservation



Assistance Program to provided Accessibility Guidance for the State Historic Sites.

- Update provided on the recent discovery of the paddlewheels of the Steamboat *Phoenix*, including study opportunities, updating of nationally significant National Register nomination, and inclusion in the Underwater Preserves System.
- Update provided on the work currently being done by UVM Consulting Archaeology Program on Elmwood Street in Burlington to exhume and document the remains of soldiers of the War of 1812. The work should be completed the last week of September.
- Update provided on the work being undertaken currently at Monument Road in Highgate. This included the riprap and archaeological efforts. Work is progressing quickly and should be concluded this week.
- Noted end of federal fiscal year on September 30. Currently providing comments for the Capital Construction Budget, which covers historic sites maintenance, underwater preserves, roadside markers, historic preservation grants, and barn grants. Request shall be added for unmarked burial fund to cover costs for Elmwood project and future endeavors, in partnership with the city of Burlington.
- Presented effort to have roadside historic site markers for all/most of Vermont covered bridges, recounting the type of covered bridge and construction history.

X. Review of Memorandum of Agreement amongst BGS, VDHP and ACHP

- This item was deferred until the October meeting as discussions of other topics extended beyond scheduled time during this meeting. BGS shall be notified of the deferral.

XI. New Business

- Meeting Schedule
 - October 22, 2020 (National Register review)
 - November 19, 2020
 - December 17, 2020 (Historic Preservation Grants)
- Announcements
 - Schedule for 2021 shall be provided at the next meeting.
 - Blaine Cliver announced his resignation from the ACHP and pending relocation to the West Coast to be closer to family. We are indebted to his expertise and attention to the activities of this council; he shall be sorely missed.

XII. Adjourn

Adjourned at 11:33 am

- Motion passed 6-0
- Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Donath: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes



Ms. Tonn: absent
Mr. Wyncoop: yes
Mr. Clark: yes