

Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission
MINUTES

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

8:15 a.m

Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St.

In Attendance: Susan Horne, Marie Smith, Deborah Osborne, Tiffany Pache
Excused: Michael Commisso, Taryn Anthony, Melinda Barnes
Unexcused: Carter Batey
City Staff: Dan Lee, staff, Office of Historic Alexandria
Susan Hellman, staff, Historic Preservation Office

Guests:

1. Call to Order – Chairwoman Horne called the meeting to order 8:16 am

2. Consideration and Approval of Minutes of November meeting–
Minutes were approved unanimously

3. Introduction of new members-Dan Clifford has applied for position, but will not be appointed by City Council until next Tuesday at the earliest

City Updates-City Council overturned Heritage Project project denial, NOTICE is working with P&Z and OHA to develop consistent parameters for interpretive signs in front of new development,

HARC Report- 11/16 meeting, Alexandria received funds from the Infrastructure Bill, the Elks Lodge has a major flooding issue, Old Town Civic Association wrote to City Council about the future of the Torpedo Factory

OHA Report –Lee Boyhood home sign is up, hiring for 2 positions, 12/10 Public meeting about Torpedo Factory, asked to put image of plaque on website

6. Old Business- Al Cox led tour was Nov. 21

- a. Tax implications-Horne is trying to track down neighbor who recently gifted easement
- b. Remaining List-is smaller, Question on Royal Street Easement
- c. Expanding scope to include African American History-Lee will cross-reference easement list with properties in “Courageous Journey” handout
- d. Discussion on helping owners of historic properties maintain their buildings financially. Suggestions included Liens, Historic property tax credits, housing department grants
- e. Letter to new City Manager-starts Jan. 18, Pache will write, include mission statement, list of easements, concern for financial help for owners of historic buildings

7. New Business- Putting other Historic Easement entities on website, articles on redlining and possible easements in African American communities with Krystyn Moon

9. Next meeting January 12, 2022 at 8:15 a.m. in person at the Lloyd House

10. Adjournment – Susan Horne adjourned meeting at 9:34 a.m.