



LAWRENCEVILLE

GEORGIA

HOOPER-RENWICK LEGACY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 21, 2023
6:00 PM

Third Floor GwMA Conference Room
70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

Call to Order

Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm after recognizing a quorum.

Committee Member Brown Taylor gave the opening prayer.

PRESENT

Committee Member Theresa Bailey
Committee Member Constance Brown
Committee Member Deidra Williams
Committee Member Pastor Ronald Dunnigan
Committee Member Gary Glenn
Committee Member Greg Lott
Committee Member John Maxey
Committee Member Joyce Moore
Committee Member Rubye Neal
Committee Member Gwendolyn Brown Taylor
Committee Member Vivian Summerour-Daniel

ABSENT

Committee Member Rory Johnson

Other attendees: Commissioner Jasper Watkins, Mayor Pro Tem Austin Thompson, Council Member Victoria Jones, Council Member Glenn Martin, Council Member Marlene Taylor-Crawford, Chuck Warbington, Angelia Parham, Mark LeBlanc, Cammie Mansfield, Jason DiFranco, and Paula Foil.

Motion to amend the agenda to remove item number 3 (Comments by Mayor David Still) made by Committee Member Maxey, Seconded by Committee Member Williams.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Williams, Committee Member Dunnigan, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Lott, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Neal, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Motion to accept the agenda with the previously approved change made by Committee Member Maxey, Seconded by Committee Member Williams.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Williams, Committee Member Dunnigan, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Lott, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Neal, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes for Special Call on February 21, 2023

Motion to remove the words "the City" from section 2 made by Committee Member Williams, Seconded by Committee Member Maxey.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Williams, Committee Member Dunnigan, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Lott, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Neal, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Motion to approve the Special Call Minutes from February 21, 2023 with the previously approved change made by Committee Member Williams, Seconded by Committee Member Maxey.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Williams, Committee Member Dunnigan, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Lott, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Neal, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Old Business

2. Artifacts Update

Committee Member Moore said there has been no changes to the Artifacts Report since the report was sent out in November of 2022. She also announced they are open to receiving new items.

3. Comments by Mayor David Still

This was removed from the agenda earlier in the meeting.

4. Project Status Update – Mr. Mark LeBlanc, Program Manager

Mr. Mark LeBlanc updated the Committee regarding the construction.

Site development permit has been approved.

Building permit has been approved.

Site work has begun. They are currently working on grading and underground utilities.

Roof trusses and the demo of the inside of the building has begun.

We are off to a good start. Contractors are excited about this project. Sub-contractors are on board.

Weather always affects the outside work - we are on track as of today on the timeline.

Commissioner Watkins suggested that the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library be a micro transit stop. He suggested having a collage of various artifacts, photos, etc. be incorporated into the cover for the transit stop.

5. Project Status Update – Ms. Cammie Mansfield

Mrs. Cammie Mansfield updated the Committee on the historical data for the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library.

They have 40 oral histories thus far with over 1,000 minutes of recordings. They more than doubled the number of oral histories that New South recorded. They still have a long list of contacts for more oral histories and they are always happy to add to the list.

154 artifacts have been processed.

The exhibits have been reviewed.

Healy Kohler is working on construction documents. This will go to the fabricator which will give us one last chance to look over the panels for part of the proofing process. The items will not be ready for review for many months.

Temporary exhibits - there will be two large cases on the lower level which are currently empty - these may highlight new acquisitions. We could rotate these exhibits every 6 months or once a year.

Paper items will be rotated to protect them from light.

New Business

6. Going Forward Notes – Committee Member John Maxey

Committee Member Maxey discussed the items he mentioned in the February meeting in more detail.

Make the opening of the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library a city, county, region, and state celebration. We need to keep interest high and increase the impact.

- Establish goals to reach Gwinnett County
 - We need to spread the news over social media, alumni, banks, funeral homes, Gwinnett County Library Foundation, elected officials, etc.
- Identify groups
 - Political groups
 - Churches
- Set up some periodic events to bring people out -have a display or representation - giving progress updates
 - Juneteenth Celebration
 - 4th of July Celebration

Final Adjournment

Chair Brown announced that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20th.

Committee Member Williams gave the closing prayer.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Committee Member Neal, Seconded by Committee Member Dunnigan.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Williams, Committee Member Dunnigan, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Lott, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Neal, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Minutes Signature

Constance Brown, Chair

Greg Lott, Vice-Chair