



LAWRENCEVILLE

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HOOPER RENWICK LEGACY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, June 21, 2022
6:00 PM

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

Call to Order

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. At the beginning of the meeting, there was not a quorum present.

1. Prayer – Dr. John Maxey, Committee Member

Dr. John Maxey led the prayer for the meeting.

2. Quorum/Roll Call – Ms. Joyce Moore, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Moore conducted Roll Call for the Committee and there was not a quorum until later in the meeting when Committee Member Daniel came into the meeting at approximately 6:30 pm.

PRESENT

Committee Member Theresa Bailey
Committee Member Constance Brown
Committee Member Gary Glenn
Committee Member John Maxey
Committee Member Joyce Moore
Committee Member Gwendolyn Brown Taylor
Committee Member Vivian Summerour-Daniel

ABSENT

Committee Member Deidra Williams
Committee Member Ronald Dunnigan
Committee Member Rory Johnson
Committee Member Greg Lott
Committee Member Rubye Neal

Also in attendance:

Joseph Clark
Frankie Daniel
Jason DiFranco
Paula Foil (via zoom)
Commissioner Marlene Fosque
Cammie Fulmer (via zoom)
City Council Member Victoria Jones
Mark LeBlanc
Dr. Rashid Malik
City Council Member Glenn Martin
Imam Furquan Mohammed
Kyle Parker
City Council Member Marlene Taylor-Crawford
City Manager Chuck Warbington

3. Norms – Dr. Vivian Daniel

Chairman Bailey reviewed the norms with the Committee.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

4. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes for May 17, 2022

Due to a lack of quorum the approval of prior meeting minutes were postponed until later in the meeting. After Committee Member Daniel arrived to the meeting the below vote occurred.

Motion to approve the Prior Meeting Minutes for May 17, 2022 made by Committee Member Maxey, Seconded by Committee Member Summerour-Daniel.

Voting Yea: Committee Member Bailey, Committee Member Brown, Committee Member Glenn, Committee Member Maxey, Committee Member Moore, Committee Member Brown Taylor, Committee Member Summerour-Daniel

Old Business

5. Project Status Update – Mr. Mark LeBlanc, Project Manager

Mr. Mark LeBlanc, Gwinnett County Project Manager on the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library Project gave his update to the Committee. Mark said the site plan will include underground utilities. They are working on construction documents and the design development. He is hoping Chad Smith with CAS, the architect for the project, will be able to attend in July with a site plan and renderings.

6. Project Status Update - Ms. Cammie Fulmer, IRPC

Cammie Fulmer, Gwinnett County Coordinator for the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library exhibits gave her update to the Committee. Cammie thanked everyone for their input on the Healy Kohler's exhibit outline. She passed the information on to the exhibit consultants so they could be incorporated into their design planning. The design of the exhibits is in process and they have a weekly meeting to discuss the progress. In July or August she is hoping there may be another Healy Kohler update.

We are lacking artifacts for before Hooper-Renwick and after Hooper-Renwick. She is also looking for more oral histories. They have new equipment that will make the process much faster. She is happy to email information to anyone that may be interested. An email introduction from a Committee member might encourage someone to participate. Oral histories will continue to be gathered after the exhibit opens. If a group wants to be recorded together, the maximum number would be 3-4 people at one time.

7. Comments - Mr. Chuck Warbington, City Manager

Chuck Warbington, City Manager for the City of Lawrenceville gave his update to the Committee.

They have started the design of the Neal Blvd. Streetscape will include sidewalks, parking, and all overhead electric wiring will be placed underground.

We are currently working on the bids for the demolition of the Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church. We will be saving six of the stained glass windows. The altar at the front of the church will also be removed. The special items selected for removal will be removed first. We are looking at it beginning in about 60-90 days.

Chuck asked Chairman Bailey which photos she wants of the building before demolition. Council Member Glenn Martin mentioned that he has several photos of the building and they tell the story of the church.

8. Artifacts – Ms. Joyce Moore, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Moore updated the Committee on the artifacts. She mentioned that after Hooper-Renwick students integrated they graduated from other schools.

After some discussion, it was decided that artifacts are due no later than August 16th, but they are requested sooner if possible. Transitioned students need to be included.

New Business

9. "For All the World to See!" remarks – Ms. Gwen Brown Taylor, Committee Member

Committee Member Brown gave her remarks concerning "For All the World to See!" exhibit. She spoke very highly of the exhibit and the way it made her feel. She believes the Hooper-Renwick Themed Library is also for all the world to see, but it will be a stationary exhibit instead of a traveling one.

10. Other Comments or Updates

Commissioner Marlene Fosque thanked everyone for all they are doing currently and all they have done up until this point. She mentioned there are many stories to tell and it is so fascinating to hear the stories. Commissioner Fosque mentioned she has three words for the year that she is focusing on: empathy, forgiveness, and grace. She said the members of the Committee are examples of these words in action.

Committee Member Brown asked that her name be removed from the signature line of the minutes. It was decided that for the time being the second signature on the minutes would be Co-Chair Moore.

Final Adjournment

11. Closing Remarks – Chairwoman Theresa Bailey

Chairman Bailey reminded the Committee that the mascot of Hooper-Renwick was the hornet. Hornets are similar to bumblebees. She encouraged the Committee members to continue to work hard like bumblebees.

12. Closing Prayer – Dr. John Maxey, Committee Member

The closing prayer was led by Dr. Maxey.

Minutes Signature

Theresa Bailey, Chairman

Joyce Moore, Co-Chair