

# Riverside Historical Commission

## Meeting Minutes

### Monday, January 25, 2021

**Call to order:** 7:20 PM by Acting Chairperson Richard Julian via ZOOM.

**Present:** Commissioners Richard Julian, Constance Guardi, Diane Ceragioli, James Petrzilka, Samantha Schroeder, and Gina Furey. **Absent:** Patrick Smith-Ray.

**Minutes of October 19, 2020:** Motion to approve by Constance Guardi. Seconded by Gina Furey. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** No recent report issued. Some Calendar deposits extant which will be reflected in the next report and discussed at the next meeting.

#### **Chairperson's Report:**

- \* Museum heat was off on Saturday, January 23. This was reported.
- \* Current issues related to the Help Desk will be discussed under Continuing Business.

**Accessions:** No new items for accession.

#### **Continuing Business:**

- \* 2020 Museum wall calendar's have all been sold except for 2 in our possession. The Commissioners commended Samantha Schroeder for the excellent job she did in researching and creatively presenting the selected photos.
- \* The disposition of the Bones excavated on Bloomingbank Rd. James Petrzilka reported that the Professor leading the DNA analysis contacted him for additional historical information regarding the site where the Bones were found, with particular emphasis on the mid 19th Century to the early 20th Century. Analysis so far indicates the remains of RG (Riverside Guy) are not Native American.
- \* Facebook: Richard Julian is continuing to work this issue.
- \* Landmarking the House at 214 Scottswood Rd: No report.
- \* Status of preparation of User Guide for Landmarking a House: No report.
- \* Past Perfect On-Line: Connie Guardi still working on process and details.
- \* Plan for 2021: Richard Julian will get existing proposals from Connie Guardi for next mtg.
- \* Museum Help Desk: We need to apply a consistent and trackable process to assist those who come to us, remotely, for help related to Historical questions and concerns they may have. Samantha cautioned that we need to carefully document all our actions so that other Commissioners can follow each case. Richard reminded all to use the Log, the 3-Ring binder of instructions, and to be sure to clear the Voice Mail.

- \* Sherman Fund: Connie reported that the fund is currently at \$3,000. The current plan is to use the fund to buy file cabinets for the West Well House, to help fix our storage problem.
- \* Structure Files and Local History files digitizing project: Richard reported that Structure file drawers 13-14 are out for digitization, leaving file drawers 15-16 as the last remaining.
- \* Volunteer recruitment for Museum work: Nothing to report.
- \* Website: Connie indicated this will be reported on at the next meeting.

**Exhibits:** No Changes

**Public Comment:** None

**New Business:**

- \* Calendar 2022: Suggestion by Connie that we do an Olmsted themed calendar in honor of Olmsted's Birthday on April 26, 2022. This would entail other than Riverside images. Discussion of this and other suggestions at next meeting.
- \* Olmsted's 200th Birthday: Suggestion by Connie that the Historical Commission host an Olmsted Birthday party in 2022 at the RailRoad Station. Discussion at next meeting.

**Adjournment:** Connie Guardi motioned to adjourn at 8:04 PM. Seconded by Diane Ceragioli.  
Motion carried.