

## **Chesterfield Historic & Landmarks Preservation Committee**

### **Minutes for July 12, 2017**

**Attendance:** Steve Domahidy, Tom Rothwell, Anne Lewis, Jane Durrell, Arland Stemme, DeeAnn Wright, George Chrissos, Ann Chrissos, Cassie Harashe (City liaison), Guy Tilman (Council liaison), Michael Kane, Susan Bruce and Cicardi Bruce (Visitors).

Tom called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

May minutes were approved as written.

**Financial report:** DeeAnn reported \$27,030.19 in treasury as of June 30, 2017.

**Cemetery pictures:** George gave Cassie 122 scanned cemetery pictures to be added to the website.

**Mall museum:** DeeAnn and Jane visited Chesterfield Mall to look at possible sites for a City Museum. They liked the location of the former Hallmark store on the lower level, near Dillard's. It has 4500 square feet, has glass shelves along the walls, some display cases and window display space. Rent would be \$50/mon. plus utilities and insurance. Cost of utilities and insurance is unknown and must be determined for the business plan. The City would be required to sign a lease agreement with the Mall. A two year lease would be desirable. Guy Tilman said the Committee must present a business plan to the Council which needs to include: amount of City funding, operating hours, staffing, and a detailed list of costs. He suggested offering the City two options. Tom will find a template for a small museum and will develop the business plan. Jane provided a history of the Committee's search for a museum which included the Minna Waldman house and Sach's house. Neither were viable options.

**Calendar:** Jane reported that Anne Lewis is working on pictures for the 2018 calendar. This calendar will be black print on white paper. Steve will seek new advertisers. Minuteman Press will print 1500 calendars for \$2225.

**Scholarship:** Guy Tillman said the city cannot offer scholarships, therefore, a city committee cannot offer scholarships. This idea will be dropped.

**Trailer park:** Jane reported that Vinnita Lake, descendent of the Long family, claims there are several graves under the trailer park and the graves belong to the Long family perpetuity. Danny Gonzales, St. Louis County historian, is trying to determine how many graves exist there.

Guy Tilman requested a list of Landmark structures. Cassie offered to send the list to him.

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Next meeting will be September 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by Ann Chrissos