

# Morgan County Resource Preservation Advisory Board

Special Called Meeting

February 17, 2009

6:00 p.m.

Minutes

## **Morgan County Commission Work Session**

On behalf of the Resource Preservation Advisory Board, Tara Cooner presented information related to the county's 2008 application for Certified Local Government status. The purpose of CLG status was discussed, as well as the benefits of CLG status for Morgan County. The State CLG Coordinator cited seven items in the Morgan County Resource Preservation Ordinance (Article 21) that were inconsistent with the Georgia Historic Preservation Act. The seven items were presented with comments from the State CLG Coordinator and suggestions for action by the Resource Preservation Advisory Board. The Morgan County Board of Commissioners listened to the presentation and asked questions. Chairman Mac Bohlen clarified how the elected officials could handle abandoned historic structures without owner consent. Ms. Cooner agreed to write Rules of Procedure for the Advisory Board that would address owner consent. Commissioner Ellen Warren asked if CLG status would be helpful in applying for general preservation grants and Ms. Cooner responded that it could be beneficial. It was suggested that the requested text amendments to the Resource Preservation Ordinance be submitted for approval with other text amendments to the Morgan County Zoning Ordinance in the summer of 2009. This will allow the CLG application to be resubmitted in late summer or early fall.

Chairman Mac Bohlen requested that the text changes required for CLG reapplication be added to the consent agenda at the March 3 Board of Commissioner regular session. A copy of the memorandum sent to the Board of Commissioners prior to the meeting is attached to these Minutes.

## **Resource Preservation Advisory Board Meeting**

Present: Carol Cross, Ona Nunn, Sarah Lynn McHugh, Gail Wade

Not Present: Tonya Hogan

Also Present: Tara Cooner, Danielle Peck, John Wade

No agenda was presented for this meeting.

Tara Cooner asked the Board members to meet briefly after the Board of Commissioners Work Session to discuss interview candidates for the Oral History Project. The list of candidates created at previous meetings was reviewed and candidates from each community were chosen. The following names were chosen:

Apalachee – John Shockley, Warren Few and Jimmy Sidwell

Mallory/Flat Rock – Worde Riden and Lottie Lewis

Pennington – Jackie Pennington and Ossie Williams

Buckhead – Grayson White, Barbara Tyson, Shirley Pittman and Kate Cathy

Bostwick – John Bostwick, Luetta Malcolm and John Nunn

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Ms. Cooner explained that she would be meeting with Beth Goodwin to discuss interview venues and would be determining dates for interviews, based on venue availability. The proposed plan had one round of interviews taking place at the end of March and another at the end of April. It was unanimously agreed that Board members would contact the possible candidates and invite them to participate in the project. Ms. Cooner said she would alert the Board members as soon as dates were available, so candidates could be contacted.

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Carol Cross, Chairman

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Tara Cooner, Secretary

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