

**HORRY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION MEETING**

**Monday, January 22, 2024 at 5:30 PM
1301 Second Avenue
Conway, SC 29526**

MEETING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Public Input**
- IV. Minutes**
 - Approval of the Minutes from November 27, 2023
- V. New Business**
 - A. Waccamaw Indian People Tribal Grounds Marker Statement
- VI. Commission Discussion**
 - A. Legacy Business Requirements
 - B. Preservation Plan Goals and Objectives
- VII. Announcements**
 - A. Next Meeting – February 26, 2024

The HPC meets at 4:45 for refreshments before the meeting.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF HORRY)

**Horry County Historic
Preservation Commission Meeting
November 27, 2023**

The Horry County Historic Preservation Commission met on Monday, November 27, 2023, at Horry County Government and Justice Center at 1301 2nd Avenue in Conway, SC. The following Commission members were present: Heath Platt, Bill Strydesky, Lisa Kopro, Susan Platt, Patricia Mallett, Jamie Thompkins, and Joel Carter.

Members Absent: Lesta Sue Hardee, Chelsea Sanderson, and Alan Todd.

Staff present: Desiree Jackson, Nancy Tindall, Rachel Fullwood, Rajiv Myana, and Tierney Rosenstock.

Guest present: Hunter Platt, David Wilson, and Lou Conklin.

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In accordance with the SCFOIA, notices of the public meeting were sent to the press (and other interested persons and organizations requesting notification) providing the agenda, date, time, and place of the meeting.

- I. **Call to Order** – Chair Susan Platt called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 pm. A quorum was present.
- II. **Invocation** – Jamie Thompkins delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Public Input** – Lou Conklin spoke regarding break-away poles for historic markers and research/applications for SHPO.
- IV. **Minutes** – Chair Platt asked that the minutes read that “Lou Conklin and Chair Susan Platt researched information for the marker application. She also stated the minutes should reflect that “Chair Platt would like to hold public information meetings at various community centers to present educational information on the Commission’s various programs.” Joel Carter made a motion to approve the corrected minutes and Jamie Thompkins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- V. **New Business**
 - A. **Public Hearing** –McNeil Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, PIN 300-03-01-0008 - Desiree Jackson gave an overview. She explained the applicant was requesting to be considered under the following items: as A, B, C, D, H, I, and J. The original church was built in 1885. Rhoda Wilson Wolfe was the original founder of the church. Her great, great grandson (David Wilson) was available to address questions and concerns. He gave a brief history of the church. Joel Carter questioned the fellowship hall. Patricia Mallett commended Mr. Wilson on the accomplishments and research. Chair Platt asked for his information for an interview. Joel Carter made a motion to add McNeil Chapel Missionary Baptist Church to the Horry County Historic Register and Jamie Thompkins seconded.

The motion carried unanimously. Desiree Jackson will let him know when this item will be on the County Council agenda.

B. Historic Markers

Green Sea – Desiree Jackson gave an overview. Chair Platt made a motion to approve sending the Green Sea marker (country size) to be placed at the Green Sea Floyds Library and Joel Carter seconded. Jamie Thompkins presented additional information and proposed text for the marker. He also felt the Green Sea Marker should be placed in Green Sea. After much discussion, Chair Platt amended the motion to submit research (including the additional research presented by Mr. Thompkins) for the Green Sea (country size) marker to be installed at the Green Sea Floyds Library (with the option to consider other locations) and Joel Carter seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Hickory Grove –Chair Susan Platt made a motion to table the discussion of this marker until January. That motion failed for lack of a second. Bill Strydesky felt this one should be moved forward. Mr. Strydesky made a motion to submit the research for the Hickory Grove country marker to be installed on the school grounds and Patricia Mallett seconded. The motion carried with Jamie Thompkins voting no.

VI. Commission Discussion

- A. Legacy Business Recognition** – Chair Platt gave an update on Legacy Business Recognition Program and stated there would be a presentation on December 7.
- B. Driving Application Funding** – Desiree Jackson stated the contract is in the execution process.
- C. Horry County Historic Preservation Survey Grant** – Desiree Jackson stated the contract is in the execution process.
- D. CLG Report** – Desiree Jackson asked the members to review the report for accuracy. It needs to be submitted by December 31, 2023.

VII. Announcements

Chair Platt asked Jamie Thompkins about the 250 proclamation. Mr. Thompkins stated the HC Historical Society was working with the Museum, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and Daughters of the American Revolution. She asked Mr. Thompkins to ask someone to speak at the January meeting and to keep the Commission informed of meetings and ways they could volunteer.

Joel Carter questioned trail trees. Raj Myana will check on this.

Historic Preservation Awards – Desiree Jackson asked for nominations. Chair Platt stated she had four nominations she would submit to staff.

VIII. Adjourn – With no further business, Joel Carter made a motion to adjourn. Heath Platt seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.

**Historic Preservation Commission Decision Memorandum
Horry County, South Carolina**

Date: January 22, 2024
From: Planning and Zoning
Division: Infrastructure and Regulation
Prepared By: Desiree Jackson, Senior Planner
Cleared By: Rajiv Myana, Principal Planner
Regarding: Waccamaw Tribal Grounds Historic Marker

ISSUE:

What is the status of the Waccamaw Tribal Grounds Marker?

PROPOSED ACTION:

Vote to accept or alter the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) text for the Waccamaw Tribal Grounds marker.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation.

BACKGROUND:

SC Department of Archives and History is responsible for the State's Historic Marker Program. Though markers interpret historic places, such as historic sites, structures, people or events, they are not an official historic preservation designation.

ANALYSIS:

The Historic Preservation Commission voted at the November 15, 2022 meeting to start the process for a historic marker for the Waccamaw Tribal Grounds marker. SHPO finished the research and sent proposed text for the sign.

TITLE: 25 characters and spaces / TEXT: 11 lines, 36 characters and spaces

Courier New (a True-Type Font) is best for draft text templates

If 2 title lines are required, there are 9 lines of text instead of 11

Side 1

WACCAMAW TRIBAL GROUNDS|T1

This section of Horry Co. is part of|1
the ancestral lands of the Waccamaw |2
Indians, a Siouan-speaking people. |3
By the 1700s the tribe's territory |4
extended roughly from Lake Waccamaw |5
in N.C. to Winyah Bay in Georgetown, |6
S.C., following the course of the |7
Waccamaw and Little Pee Dee Rivers. |8
A colonial Carolina census in 1715 |9
reported four Waccamaw villages |10
with a total of 610 inhabitants. |11
(continued on next side)

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Side 2

WACCAMAW TRIBAL GROUNDS|T1
(continued from other side)

In 2004 the Waccamaw Indian People |1
of S.C. acquired this site for their|2
tribal headquarters. They became a |3
state-recognized Indian tribe in |4
2005. The tribe claims historical |5
ties to the Dimery Settlement |6
(3 mi. S), a small community of |7
Native families founded in the early|8
1800s in Dog Bluff Township. In the |9
20th century it included churches and|10
a public school for Native children.|11

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Prepared By: Desiree Jackson, Senior Planner
Cleared By: Rajiv Myana, Principal Planner
Regarding: Legacy Business

ISSUE:

What are the requirements to be recognized as a Legacy Business?

PROPOSED ACTION:

Determine the requirements to establish a Legacy Business so staff can draft an ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation.

BACKGROUND:

The Legacy Business Program was established in 2013, with the first businesses recognized in 2014. The only documented criteria for a Legacy Business is a business that has contributed to the historic economic fabric of Horry County for at least 50 consecutive years.

ANALYSIS:

The lack of clear criteria for Legacy Businesses makes it difficult for potential applicants to know if they do or do not qualify. Some items for discussion include:

- Ownership
- Location
- Name
- By application or nomination

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Prepared By: Desiree Jackson, Senior Planner
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Regarding: Preservation Plan Goals and Objectives

ISSUE:

What is the status of our goals and objectives in the Preservation Plan?

PROPOSED ACTION:

Confirm the Historic Preservation Commission is on track to accomplish the goals set out in the Preservation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no recommendation.

BACKGROUND:

On January 19, 2021 County Council formally adopted the Historic Preservation Plan. The plan contains a list of goals that the County and its citizens would like to see accomplished. Some of these goals are designated as “short-term” or express a desire to be accomplished by 2025. The board should routinely review these goals so that they can continue their efforts to accomplish them.

ANALYSIS:

Goals to be accomplished by 2025

- Add at least ten properties in western Horry County to the Horry County Historic Register by 2025.
- Promote the Century Farm Program and assist with the establishment of at least five new Century Farms by 2025.

Short Term Goals

- Apply for National Register status for the 3rd Avenue Court House.
- Determine criteria for historic trees to be added to the local register.
- Integrate historic resource data with the County’s GIS database.
- Start a project and coordinate with SHPO, using the last historic survey data and update site information including pictures using the collector application.
- Create an easy to understand brochure explaining the process of Architectural Review that will be the result of being listed on the local register.
- Review and modify the name for the Board of Architectural Review and Historic Preservation, to a name that better reflects the historic aspect of the Board.
- Update and codify the Historic Preservation Commission By-Laws.