
Cleveland Restoration Society

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Minutes

2834 Courtland Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

All exhibits and attachments referenced herein are on file in the CRS office and are available upon request.

Trustees in Attendance

Hannah Fritzman Belsito
Robert Borsh
Michael Chesler
Michael Cummins
Susan Delaney
Thomas Einhouse

Dale Hilton
Anthony Hiti
Douglas Hoffman
Scott Holbrook
William Hubbard
Dana Noel

J. Gordon Priemer
Rosemary Reymann
Bill Saltzman
Brian Stark

I. The Board toured the Courtland House

II. Call to Order — Mike Cummins, Chair of the Board

A. Mike welcomed Honorable Earl M. Leiken, Mayor of Shaker Heights. Mayor Leiken thanked the Society and Trustees Scott Holbrook and Dana Noel, specifically, for their hard work. Without the Society, the house had a very serious chance of being torn down or suffering further, significant, and possibly irreparable damage through neglect.

B. Michael requested approval of the minutes of the March 17, 2015 Board meeting. They were unanimously approved by the Board

III. Remembrance: Olive Deany Tabor, Founder (1930-2015).

Kathleen Crowther provided informed the board that Olive Deany Tabor, one of the three founders of the Society recently passed away. Kathleen attended a memorial for Mrs. Tabor and provided a few anecdotes from the memorial and commented on the exceptional life that Mrs. Tabor lead.

IV. Update on Courtland Boulevard

Mary Ogle provided a summary of the work the CRS has accomplished in Shaker Heights. Michael Fleenor provided a history of the house, explaining its significance and the reason that is it a designated Shaker Heights Landmark. Dana Noel provided a summary of the construction work that has gone into stabilizing the house and outlined where they were in the process and what additional work was to be conducted. Scott Holbrook summarized the status of the litigation, release of the liens, and negotiations with the roofer and the homeowner. He reported that the roofer will complete the work and has agreed to release his lien. Issues with the homeowner still need to be resolved. The

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Board discussed the next steps, including plans for marketing and selling the house once it was stabilized and all legal and title issues were resolved.

V. Resolution: Approval to Apply to Community Development, City of Cleveland

Board approval was sought to apply for Community Development Block Grant funds for two projects: (1) \$25,000 to support the Small Deals project to facilitate historic tax credit financing on smaller projects; and (2) \$18,000 to support the Stabilizing Cleveland's Historic Districts project. Brian Stark moved to approve the resolution. Doug Hoffman, seconded the motion, and the Board approved it unanimously.

VI. Celebration of Preservation Awards Program

Bill Hubbard, Chair of the Jury, reported on the status of the nominations and the juror's investigation and review of the projects. The Board was invited to attend the awards celebration.

VII. Beer & Brats @ the Benedict!

Mike Cummins and Hannah Belsito invited the Board to attend the Beer & Brats and asked for the Board's support to drive attendance.

VIII. Benefit

Dale Hilton and Felicia Hall lead the Board in a brainstorming session about possible venue and dates for the benefit.

X. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Bill Hubbard, Board Secretary.