

Historic Shepherdstown
Annual Meeting Minutes – September 7, 2022
In person and via Zoom

AGENDA

I. Welcome and remarks from the President of Historic Shepherdstown Commission

President Donna Bertazzoni called the meeting to order at 6:49 PM and welcomed members and guests. Donna gave a special thanks to the HSC board of directors, committee members, HSC administrator Teresa McLaughlin, and HSC members for attending the annual meeting and their work done during the past year.

Donna ascertained that a quorum of members was present.

Attending board members of quorum in addition to Donna: Wendy Beckner, Anne D’Alauro, Jerry Bock, Jerry Bucey, John Kavaliunas, Dianne Roman, Al Levitan, and Jill Craig.

Donna gave a brief overview of HSC news and accomplishments this year including the 2 grants that have been used to support exhibits in the museum. The museum has also purchased a quilt and a doll for its collection. Of note is the fact that this year marks the 40th anniversary of the opening of the HSC.

II. Approval of Minutes from September 2021 annual meeting

Wendy moved to approve the minutes; all others in attendance approved.

III. Financial Report from Treasurer Wendy Beckner

Wendy reported that HSC is in sound financial shape. As of August 31, 2022, total income is \$83,627.95 with expenses of \$65,343.62. Total current net income is \$18,284.33. HSC started 2022 with a cash balance of \$156,650.33 and as of today’s date, the current cash balance is \$182,931.20, a gain of \$26,280.77. Income is earned through grants, rents from the Entler, ornament sales, fundraising, and the dues and donations of HSC members. Wendy thanked all for their time, support, and generosity.

IV. Nomination of Members to Board of Directors by Jerry Bock, chair of the nominating committee

a. Jerry introduced the new members of the board of directors. These include Dr. Jim Broomall (not in attendance); Yocencia Deal (not in attendance); Claudia Dressler; and Stephanie Unger. Jerry provided a brief description of the background of each of the nominees and made a motion to approve these new members to the board of directors; Betty Lowe approved the motion and Jerry Bucey seconded. All others approved.

b. The three board members who have agreed to serve an additional three-year term, Wendy Beckner, Anne D’Alauro, and Al Levitan, were affirmed.

V. Proposal to change the Bylaws of Historic Shepherdstown Commission

The HSC Board of Directors has approved a change in the organization’s bylaws. The change would amend Article II Section B to reduce the required number of HSC Board of Directors members from between 13 and 17 to between 11 and 17.

Current Bylaw:

Article II

B. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of **no less than thirteen (13) and no more than 17** voting members (current 2009 board composition is grandfathered in). The regular term of office of members shall be three (3) years, beginning immediately following the Annual Meeting in September and shall continue until September 30 of the third year following.

Proposed bylaw change:

Article II

B. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of **no less than eleven (11) and no more than 17** voting members. The regular term of office of members shall be three (3) years, beginning immediately following the Annual Meeting in September and shall continue until September 30 of the third year following.

This change to Article II Section B., as stated in the HSC bylaws, was approved by a quorum of members.

VI. Upcoming events reviewed:

- a. Reenactors will be at The Historic Shepherdstown Museum, Sept. 17
- b. Opening of new map exhibit, early October
- c. Ghost Tours of The Historic Shepherdstown Museum, Saturday of Boofest weekend
- d. Public Forum on Shepherdstown Riverfront, Wednesday, Nov. 16, 7 p.m.
- e. Holiday Tour of Historic Houses of Worship, Dec. 26, 4 to 7 p.m.

VII. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wendy and approved by Al Levitan. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM. The presenter of tonight's speaker series, Dr. Keith Alexander, was introduced by Jerry Bock.