

Greensboro Historical Society Minutes for May 10, 2022 Meeting

Attending: Amelia Circosta, Renee Circosta, BJ Gray, Kyle Gray, Alison Gardner, Erika Karp, Lise Armstrong, Leslie Rowell, Nancy Hill, Clive Gray, Gail Sangree

1. History Moment – Leslie Rowell – What’s happening in GHS basement?

Leslie’s provided an interesting presentation on some of the various aspects of her work. A taped copy of her remarks is available from Kyle.

2. President’s Report – BJ

- Cemetery program- - a tremendous success; over 40 people and well received and Hal wrote a nice article in HG
- Book cull— Regularly held the last Monday morning of the month. Volunteers are needed to help with identifying and selling rare books: Renee, Shelly and Alison will work on this
- Thank you notes are being sent to Wiz Dow and Joan Alexander for the books donated by their respective historical societies. Building on our relationship of sharing newsletters and journals, a relationship of sharing published books and booklets has recently been started between Glover, Hardwick and Greensboro Historical Societies. To reciprocate, GHS publications have been shared with Glover and Hardwick historical societies.

3. Secretary’s Report

- Minutes for April’s meeting were reviewed without correction and a motion was passed to accept them.
- Amelia (with Renee as a back-up) volunteered to take minutes for the June meeting

4. Treasurer’s Report – Lise

- Lise sent out a treasurer’s report to the Board prior to the meeting. She reported that GHS donations continue to be less than last year.
- The treasurer’s report was moved and accepted without correction.

5. Business from last month – BJ

- Hinman Road Trail- The town of Glover through Peggy Day Gibson may apply for a state grant to rehab the trail on the Glover side. Only two of three landowners on the Greensboro portion of the trail have provided permission for a state funded trail, thus we will not be included in the grant. The landowner currently withholding permission is interested in meeting with interested parties to discuss other options. Hopefully this will happen this summer.
- Interviewing project with GFL- Paula Davidson would like us to select the people to be interviewed and to identify volunteers to do the video-taped interviewing. GHS has the list. GHS would do most of the interviewing and selecting
- DAR Tombstone Cleaning – The GHS is preparing the lunch for the estimated 25 participants; GA may pay for the lunch or Linda/Rick Ely. Kyle and Lise are coordinating and volunteers are needed.
- Docent schedule-Paula is in charge. Substitutes are needed; Alison volunteered.
GHS Exhibit hours: Tues, Wed, Thursday 10:30-2:30pm on 10-12 Saturday.

Paula will schedule a docent refresher training session.

- **Summer calendar – dates for all events**

Opening Exhibit “Saving Land, Saving History” Reception, Sun., July 3rd 3-5pm

Ice Cream Social- Saturday, July 31, 2-4pm

Program for Annual Meeting – Monday, August 8, 7pm

6. Committee reports

1. [Building and Maintenance](#) – Lise and Leslie

- Talked with Peter Romans about the storage building project. No information has been received Norm. She will contact him again and if he is not interested she will speak with others to get an estimate for next year.
- Leslie has been in touch with someone from Efficiency VT to measure for window inserts for the building

7. Archives [projects](#)/update/acquisitions – Leslie, Willie, and Amelia

- No update—Leslie not available and Amelia and Leslie have not been working together lately
- Sandy Gebbie donated an old video from their ski hill. It is 12-15 minutes long.

8. Summer 2022 Exhibit ([Land Conservation in Greensboro](#); title? – Saving Land, Saving History—

- Clive reported that work is progressing on the exhibit. The Committee is meeting weekly.
- A component of the exhibit includes residents' paintings on conserved parcels. The GFL will help by distributing and receiving the canvases. Amelia will create a small poster/flyer for the library.
- Leo will work on story board for the exhibit
- Volunteers are needed for space cleanup in advance: Nancy will select date and e-mail the group for volunteers
- Opening Reception for the Exhibit- in the past Martha Niemi organized this—she needs to be asked if she is willing to do this again.

9. Summer 2022 [History Explorer Walk](#) – BJ

- The Circosta family will clean-up signs and add questions and revise flyer.
- The exact location of the Greensboro Bend coal sheds' has been found, so this needs to be added. Nancy will work with Circosta family on this and a new directional sign will be made.
- The file with last year's flyer will be shared with the Circostas for updating.

10. Membership – Nancy

- We need new members, however, it's better to wait until meetings in person.

11. Hazen Road Dispatch – Gail

- All 12 articles have been received and edited and the issue is being compiled. The inner back cover will include a list of books/booklets for sale at the GHS. Amelia designed a colorful cover and 250 copies will be ordered.

12. [Newsletter](#) – Jenny's list – volunteers needed

- Jenny prepared a list of articles for the newsletter and, in her absence, Alison requested volunteers for the identified articles. Please see attached list and all articles are due by May 20th!

13. Other business

- A pop-up booksale (and culling) was planned for Saturday May 28th with hours from 10am-1pm
- GHS flag – Amelia will work on this and the logo; BJ to send logo or Amelia will request it from Jennifer
- Ice Cream Social- Paula is in charge. Last year very successful as calves visited and in previous years someone lead games for children on the McIntyre property. We also had a musician last year. This will be discussed next month to finalize plans.
- Funky fourth Parade – Saturday, July 2. Does the GHS want to be represented in the parade? And, if so, how? Kyle to ask Rick about pulling the buggy. If we go ahead with this the buggy needs identification and information.
- Annual Meeting- Mike Metcalf “I Married G’boro VT Club” was presented as a topic for the annual meeting. Another suggestion was a topic, such as, the history of land conservation as it ties in with our exhibit. A decision will be made at our next meeting.
- GHS has been asked to donate items to the Ukraine fundraising auction to be held on July 2nd. Is there something old that someone would like to donate in name of the GHS? Items value over \$50 are requested
- The GHS has been asked if they would like to update their paragraph in the GA directory. Nancy and Alison volunteered to do this; it due by May 20th.
- Appointing a Nominating meeting- One needs to be convened to select trustees for the 2 Board members terms expire in August. Erika and Nancy volunteered for the nominating committee.
- Alison researched bulk mailing of the newsletter. There are considerable labor and cost savings. The Board approved trying it for 1 year if Jenny concurs. Alison and Nancy will apply for non-profit status if Jenny approves

Announcements: May 23, 7:30 until 8:30—Harold Kaufman will speak on the topic of “1816 and Froze to death”.

- **Next meeting June 14** – whether it will be Zoom or in person will be decided close to the meeting date.