

**Chesterfield Historical Commission**  
**Minutes - September 10, 2003**

**Present:**

Bill Wunderlich, Co- Chair presiding  
Marsha Boeck  
Steve Domahidy  
Connie Farkas  
Sue Gill  
Nell Goedecke  
Ted Goedecke

Christina Landram  
Robert E. Landram  
Dan Rothwell  
Arland Stemme  
Jane Durrell, Council Liaison  
Lu Perantoni, Planning Commission  
Brian W. Calderwood, guest

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by Bill Wunderlich, Co- Chair.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the August 13, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Christina Landram noted that the minutes should indicate that Bob Moore would be asked to be a presenter for the lecture on April 21, 2004. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Arland Stemme made a correction to the June minutes. The calendar sales amount of \$125 should be changed to \$25.00.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Dan Rothwell had a written report from the City of Chesterfield that stated the following:

As of 8/31/03, the Historical Commission had revenue from calendar sales and book sales totaling \$1,199.00 and expenditures totaling \$70.99. Therefore, year-to-date revenues exceeded expenditures by \$1,128.01. Also, the Historical Commission brought forward from prior years a balance of \$13,153.15.

The revenues reported were:

\$45 Coldwell Banker  
\$225 General donation  
\$280 Books  
\$469 Calendars  
\$30 Cemetery Books  
\$150 Historic Chesterfield Bus Tour

The report does not include a bill of \$918.87 from the Minuteman Press for the 2004 Calendars.

- Arland Stemme reported that 2 new calendars, 2 old calendars and 1 book were sold at the St. Louis County Fair and Air Show. Business was slow because of the rain.

**Old Business**

- Robert and Christina Landram reported for the Lewis and Clark Celebration Committee. Dates for the lectures have been set for March 10, 2004, April 21, 2004 and May 12, 2004. Diane Moran will be the first speaker. She is a re-enactor of Sacagawea. Bob Moore is confirmed as the presenter for the second lecture on April 21. Bob has written a book on the Lewis and Clark Expedition, he is

employed by the National Parks Service at the Gateway Arch Museum. His presentation will be “The US Military and the Corps of Discovery”. Jessie Francis will be asked to be the presenter on May 12, 2004. The suggested topic is “French Colonialism and Its Influence on the Corps of Discovery”. Mr. Francis will be offered an honorarium of \$200, consistent with the other two speakers.

- Jane Durrell reported that a letter has been sent to the Regional Director of the Missouri Department of Conservation requesting that the Department of Conservation would allow the Mina Waldmann House to be restored.
- Steve Domahidy reported that the Chesterfield Community Development Corporation proposal for a mural is on hold. We are waiting for the Arts Commission to be restructured and for the city to complete its budget adjustments.
- Connie Farkas has been working on the Bonhomme Church display case project and the display is almost ready. Some of the artifacts needed to be prepared for the case. It was suggested that we include a tour of the Old Bonhomme Church in our next Historic Chesterfield Bus Tour. The suggestion is under consideration. We may need to lengthen the time of the tour because it takes time to get people on and off of the bus.
- We are working on revising our mission statement as printed in the “Citizens Committees” brochure. Dan Rothwell presented a revised version that was reviewed. Several suggestions were made for the new wording of the mission statement. Dan will continue to rework the statement.

## **New Business**

- Jane Durrell reported that two houses will be voted on at the next City Council meeting to be placed on the Local Register of Historic Places. The houses are the Ravens-Queatham House (Old House at Hog Hollow) and the Eberwein-Howe-Doty House. If approved, these will be the first two houses placed on the register.
- The Historical commission will participate in the Fall Festival at Faust Park on September 27 and 28. Ted Goedecke circulated a sign up sheet for volunteers.
- Robert Landram presented information from the National Trust for Historic Preservation urging interested parties to contact their Congressional Representative regarding changes to the Department of Transportation Act, Section 4(f). Proposed changes in this section would weaken the protection of historic places and would allow road builders to “take into account” the effects of a project on historic resources rather than requiring them to “avoid destroying historic property unless there is no prudent and feasible alternative”. It was decided that the Historical Commission would write a letter to our Congressman, Jim Talent. The letter will be reviewed by Jane Durrell prior to mailing.
- It was suggested that illustrations of Jean Baptiste DuSable and Antioch Baptist Church be included in the Chesterfield Historical Coloring Book. Marsha Boeck and Nell Goedecke will coordinate the new pages.

## **Adjournment**

Bill Wunderlich thanked everyone for their prayers and good wishes during his recent illness. The meeting was adjourned.

**Reminder:** The next meeting will be on October 8, 2003 at 7:30PM, at City Hall.

Submitted by Marsha Boeck