

REGULAR MEETING

# SUMMARY MINUTES



**Historic Preservation Board (HPB)  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:00 pm**

### Board Members Present

Sheldon McCartney, Chair  
Cynthia Strachan-Saunders  
Jonathan Axler

Derek Davis, Vice Chair  
Jeff Schwartz

Anthony Abbate  
Daniel Stallone

### County Staff Present

Rick Ferrer, Historic Preservation Officer, UPD  
Brad Lanning, County Archaeological Consultant

Darby Delsalle, Assistant Director, UPD

### I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Chair McCartney at 6:14 p.m.; roll call taken by Mr. Ferrer with quorum established (7 members present, 2 absent)

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance lead by the Chair.

### III. Approval of Minutes

MOTION – Vice Chair Davis moves to approve, seconded by Member Abbate. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

### IV. Public Comments

Sandra McCartney, is re-introduced to the Board. No public comments.

### V. New Business

#### A. Update of HPB members' information on 'Granicus'

The HPO provides a short explanation on a link to be used by board members for information needed the County's Intergovernmental Office. The record keeping system is called 'Granicus.' Board members may choose to complete or not complete certain demographic questions. Naomie Labaty of the Intergov Office can assist board members as needed.

#### B. Presentation by Patricia Zeiler, Executive Director, History Fort Lauderdale

Ms. Zeiler introduces to the board an oral interview project named 'Your Story, Our Story' that History Ft Lauderdale will have on display beginning in April, 2023. She notes several other events and projects that her organization is involved with including Black History, Hispanic Heritage and Women's History Months.

#### C. Judge Elizabeth Athanasakos Remembrance

The item was deferred to review the Pioneer Day information first due to a member leaving early.

## VI. Old Business

### A. Pioneer Day 2022 (Wilton Manors)

1. New Venue Location – The City of Wilton Manors changed the venue for Pioneer Day from Hagen Park Community Center to The Venue, a banquet facility better able to handle a crowd of 200+. Member Schwartz provides the board with a verbal report on his and Mr. Ferrer’s recent visit. The Chair provides an overview of how the submittal of Pioneers happens and how the specialty awards are awarded.
2. Pioneer Nominations – The HPO reports that 20 (twenty) Pioneers were submitted from municipalities and organizations for 2022. The board accepts the 20 nominees for recognition this year.
3. Award Nominations – The HPO reports that there were recommendations for award recipients made by 6 municipalities and organizations. Selections of awardees are needed by August 30<sup>th</sup>. After the board deliberates different selection scenarios, it’s decided to select the awardees during the present meeting. The board recommends that there be a from specific for to nominate for awards next year. The HPO reads out each sponsoring entity and its nominations for specific awards. Once completed, the Chair proceeds to call out each award and requests the favored candidate from each board member. The board decides on the following:
  - a) Judge Clayton Nance Memorial Award: Richard and Barbara McCall
  - b) Dr. Cooper C. Kirk Award: Ken Cutler
  - c) Stuart P. McIver Award: Reed Tolber
  - d) Historic Preservation Board Award: Davie Woman’s Club

MOTION: Member Abbate moves to approve; seconded by member Schwartz. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

A recognition plaque will be awarded to the host community as well.

A second motion to approve Pioneers for 2022 is offered.

MOTION: Member Abbate moves to approve; seconded by member Schwartz. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

The Chair provides an additional final overview of the proceedings and what will be covered at the next HPB meeting in preparation for Pioneer Day.

4. Pioneer Day 2023 – The City of Plantation has solicited for hosting Pioneer Day 2023 for the City’s 60<sup>th</sup> birthday year. The City would like to host the event in October. The board will take up this offer at the next meeting of the board.

### B. Historic Marker – Speedway/Sportatorium

Assistant Urban Planning Director DeSalle has noted that the Florida Department of Transportation has not authorized a historic marker in its right-of-way, a site preferred by the board. The plan to request for monies to fund a historical marker program through the County Commission’s General Funds was not approved for the past budget cycle. The next step is to request funding from the Preservation Trust Fund handled by the County Commission. Another site would need to be chosen, staff preferring a local Fire Rescue Station located within the former Racetrack/Sportatorium property. The board notes that it would like a marker similar to the State historical marker. Member Schwartz notes the kind of markers the City of Parkland has been doing that includes more images than text, is professionally made and at a reasonable cost. Mr. Schwartz will provide information on the Parkland examples to staff and the board

### C. HPB Schedule

Then newest updated schedule for rest of the year including a September meeting date, a Pioneer Day date in October and last meeting of the year in December. The Chair would like the board to consider November rather than December. A date of November 17<sup>th</sup> is entertained.

MOTION: Member Stallone moves to approve; seconded by Vice Chair Davis. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

### D. Elections of Officers

The Chair offers to chair through Pioneer Day and until the end of the year with a resignation on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Member Schwartz makes a motion nominating Vice Chair Derek Davis for Chair of the Historic Preservation Board starting January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, allowing the current Chair to remain as Chair of the board until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

MOTION: Member Schwartz moves to approve; seconded by member Stallone. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

Member Stallone nominates member Jeff Schwartz as Vice Chair starting on January 1, 2023.

MOTION: Member Stallone moves to approve; seconded by Vice Chair Davis. All in favor, motion passes unanimously.

Member Schwartz invites the board and staff to hold a future meeting at this residence which on a specific date/time that all agree on. The meeting will be open to the public and ADA accessible. The Chair indicates that this will be considered at the next meeting.

## VII. Comments by Chair

The Chair notes that his board seat will be vacant and that his position will need to be filled. He asks the board for assistance with potential candidates, ideally that fit the professional category. The appointing commissioner is Beam Furr.

## VIII. Announcements by Board members

Member Stallone takes into account the recent past of the HPB and former Historical Commission and offering his continued support and optimism for implementing the mission of the HPB in the next year. Member Abbate acknowledges Vice Chair Davis and Old Dillard School's who lead a tour for the Greater Ft Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce Racial Equity Council. Member Axler notes that the Stranahan House will be hosting the first meeting of interest in support of bringing back 'Broward Legacy,' the County's former historical journal on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm. Member Schwartz offers his thanks to the Chair for his tenure as Chair and seeing us through the upcoming Pioneer Day.

## IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn offered by the Chair. Member Schwartz moves to approve, seconded Vice Chair Davis. All in favor, motion passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned by the Chair at 7:56 PM.

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