

DRAFT AGENDA

**Wake County Historic Preservation Commission
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, August 10, 2021– 3:30 PM
Room 2800 – Wake County Justice Center
301 S. McDowell Street, Raleigh, North Carolina**

- I. Call to Order/ Roll Call**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Approval of July 13, 2021 Minutes**
- IV. Committee Reports**
 - A. Outreach Committee
 - B. Designation committee
- V. Staff Report**
 - A. CLG Training Update
 - B. Minor Works Approvals
 - C. FY 2021-2022 Preservation Fund
 - D. Davis-Adcock Store, 2013 Piney Grove-Wilbon Road, Fuquay-Varina ETJ (NR) Landmark Hearing – Next month
 - E. Herman Green House, 5500 Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh (Wake County) (NR) Landmark Hearing – October
 - F. Other
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. Rockcliff Farm (B. W. Wells Farm)
- VII. New Business**
- VIII. Other Business**
- IX. Chair's Report**
- X. Adjourn**

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Wake County Historic Preservation Commission OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 – 2:30 PM

**Room 2800 – Wake County Justice Center
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- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Staff Report**
 - A. Preservation Celebration, 5/1/2021
- IV. Other Business**
- V. Chair's Report**
- VI. Adjourn**

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Wake County Historic Preservation Commission DESIGNATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 – 3:00 PM

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- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Staff Report**
 - A. Davis-Adcock Store, 2013 Piney Grove-Wilbon Road, Wake County ETJ (NR) – Under SHPO Review
 - B. Herman Green House, 5500 Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh (NR) – Under SHPO Review
 - C. D. J. Roberson House, 401 N. First Avenue, Knightdale (NRHD) – Under contract
John & Nancy Strain House, 8536 Lake Wheeler Road, Fuquay-Varina – Under contract
 - D. Nowell-Strickland House, 240 North Main Street, Wendell (NRHD)
 - E. Former Zebulon Elementary School, 900 Shepard School Road, Zebulon
 - F. Upchurch-Williams House, 7213 Roberts Road, Cary (Apex ETJ) (NRSL)
 - G. Other
- IV. Other Business**
- V. Chair's Report**
- VI. Adjourn**

DRAFT MINUTES

**Wake County Historic Preservation Commission
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 – 3:30 PM Room 2800 – Wake County Justice Center
301 S. McDowell Street, Raleigh, North Carolina**

Members Present (8): Mr. Ed Morris (Chair), Mr. Jeff Hastings (Vice-Chair), Ms. Camille Morrissey, Mr. Dan Turner, Mr. Lee Tippet, Ms. Nora Cambier, Mr. Brendan Feters, Ms. Lonnette Williams (via phone)

Members Absent (4): Ms. Peggy Beach, Mr. Marshall Harvey, Ms. Stephanie Ashworth, Mr. Tom Carrigan

Staff (4): Mr. Gary Roth and Mr. Jeremy Bradham, Capital Area Preservation, Inc. (CAP)
Ms. Terry Nolan, Wake County Planning and Development Services Division

1. Call to Order / Roll Call:

Mr. Morris called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm.

2. Approval of July 13, 2021 Agenda

Mr. Roth noted that Item D under Staff report should be removed. Upon a motion by Mr. Turner and a second by Ms. Morrissey, the agenda was approved as amended.

3. Approval of June 8, 2021 Minutes

Hearing no objection, the minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Outreach Committee: Ms. Morrissey reported that the 2022 *Wake County Preservation Celebration* is scheduled for May 1, 2022 at the Fuquay-Varina Cultural Arts Center, the same location planned for the 2020 *Wake County Preservation Celebration* before Covid-19.
- b. Designation Committee: Mr. Turner reported that the committee has been involved with several properties. The Herman Greene House on Lake Wheeler Road is individually listed on the NR of Historic Places, and the property owner has paid for a landmark report to be written. The report will be completed in the next month or so and brought before the commission in the coming months. The Nowell-Strickland House in Wendell is another potential historic landmark, and staff will be visiting with the property owner in the next week to assess the property and have a discussion with the owners. The John and Nancy Strain House, the Davis-Adcock Store, and the D. J. Roberson House all have reports underway and presentations will be made to the commission sometime this fall.

5. Staff Report

- a. CLG Training Update: Mr. Roth reported that Ms. Morrissey and Ms. Cambier have watched and completed summaries of three CLG training videos. Mr. Tippet noted that he has completed one and is working on two others. Mr. Morris also noted that he has completed one as well and has two more to complete. Mr. Feters has also completed one report.

QUERY: Mr. Hastings inquired about in-person CLG training on the horizon. Mr. Roth stated that he does not know of any, but these online training videos save time and money in terms of travel, and they are very accessible and convenient.

Mr. Roth also noted that the podcast Mr. Fethers sent out to the commission over the weekend discussing NR Historic Districts is very interesting and worth a listen.

Although informative, all training must be officially approved by SHPO.

b. Zebulon NR Historic District: Mr. Roth reported that the NRAC voted to forward the proposed Zebulon NR Historic District nomination to the NPS at its June 10 meeting.

QUERY: Ms. Cambier asked if the nomination could be changed at the National level once NPS begins its review. Mr. Roth noted that the NRAC and SHPO never forward something to the NPS unless it is going to be approved, as they have a flawless track record of submitting nominations and having them all approved by the NPS.

QUERY: Ms. Cambier asked if the WCHPC is no longer a part of the National Register review process within its jurisdiction. Mr. Roth said that the towns and this commission will no longer have an official role unless the town is a CLG.

c. Wake Planners Meeting: Mr. Bradham stated that he and Mr. Roth gave a presentation to the planning staff across Wake County and encouraged them to help prevent any COA violations by keeping an eye on the landmarks within their jurisdiction. He also mentioned that he is working on a plan to meet with landmark owners soon after writing each one of them a letter, as there has been a lot of new owners for some of these properties in recent years. This is an effort to curb work being done without an approved COA.

QUERY: Mr. Hastings asked if it would be possible to assign specific landmarks to commission members who live nearby for the purposes of monitoring them. Mr. Roth said that this would be a great idea, and staff will work to coordinate with commission members and provide a list of landmarks in their part of the county.

N.B. Ms. Nolan noted that Wake County Inspections and Permits staff does inspections for work for some of the smaller towns, but the towns issue the permits. Wake County staff can see the flag, but since the towns have the authority to issue the permit, County staff can only assume that the town has seen an approved COA for the proposed work.

d. Potential Historic Landmarks: **Upon**
a motion by Mr. Turner that staff visit the Nowell-Strickland House to assess its architectural integrity, seconded by Mr. Hastings, the commission voted unanimously to approve a staff to visit to the property.

6. Old Business:

a. Rockcliff Farm: Mr. Morris stated that he went back out to the Rockcliff Farm property with several WCBOC members and their Growth and Sustainability committee, which is made up of half of the WCBOC. The Committee met the following day and unanimously agreed to proceed with Wake County assuming stewardship of the property from the NC State Parks system. Rockcliff Farm is on its way to become the next Wake County Park.

QUERY: Mr. Roth asked about the condition of house, as he had only seen one room during the April 2020 visit to the site. Mr. Morris noted that the house is in great shape on the inside. There will likely be a pig-picking on site sometime when it is cooler, maybe in September. Moreover, Mr. Roth received a nice letter from WCBOC member Sig Hutchinson, thanking him for last month's presentation to the Growth and Sustainability Committee.

7. New Business: None.

8. Other Business: Ms. Nolan stated that the phone line being used today will be reserved for this commission for the next few months. There is no passcode. If there is a Major Work COA on the agenda, the remote option via phone will not be available, as COAs require an in-person *quasi-judicial* hearing.

Ms. Cambier asked about the possibility of erecting historical markers for the African American community which has been excluded from the Zebulon NR Historic District nomination. Mr. Morris stated that a local grant might be available for funding. Mr. Turner noted that there is an organization to which they can apply for a marker which will cost them nothing. If African American citizens in Zebulon are interested in applying, they can contact Shirley Simmons, Fuquay-Varina, who is currently applying and has all the details. Mr. Hastings noted further that in Apex, the town has agreed to match private groups/citizens 50% of the cost of the marker recognizing places of historical significance.

N.B. Mr. Roth stated that the WCHPC could partner, as well, with the town using preservation fund monies should this commission elect to pursue such a project.

N.B. Mr. Turner stated that he received a letter from Mr. Mangum's family thanking the commission for the memorial resolution.

9. Chair's Report: None

10. Adjourned: Hearing no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:39

Respectfully Submitted,

**Jeremy Bradham
Secretary**