

Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society Meeting
Wednesday, October 13, 2021, 7:00 PM
City of Sugar Hill City Hall
Meeting Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Kathryn Baskin, chairman, convened the meeting at 7:04 PM and welcomed everyone.

Kathryn called for a motion to approve the agenda. Stephanie Isaacs made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill Harting seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

The following members, volunteers, and guests were in attendance:

NAME	TITLE
Kathryn Baskin*	Board Member/Chairman
Ryan Butts	Board Member
Varessa Butts	Volunteer
Lindsay Davis*	Board Member
Bill Harting	Board Member
Kathy Harting	Volunteer
Stephanie Isaacs*	Board Member/Vice Chairman
Kim Landers	City Liaison/Secretary
Margaret Neal*	Board Member

The following members were absent:

NAME	TITLE
Joann Burel	Board Member/Treasurer
Tiffany Hale Carter*	Board Member
Ryckie Fernandez	Board Member
Brandon Hembree	Board Member
Darrell Pruitt	Board Member
Steve Samples	Board Member

*Denotes committee chair

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Kathryn Baskin called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 15, 2021. Stephanie Isaacs made a motion to approve the minutes. Lindsay Davis seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Kathryn Baskin indicated that Joann Burel was out of town, there were some things that did not match up from what the City Finance Director Cindy Pugh sent for the Treasurer report, which may be due to the DAR stuff, Kathryn did not have time to figure out, but it appears that there is more in the budget than what was expected.

Sugar Rush Planning and Prep

- Set up for the sluice box will be 4:30 pm on Friday, October 15, 2021. Bill Harting indicated he would be there with his trailer, and Ryan Butts indicated he could also be there at 4:30 pm.
- Kim Landers will check with Tim Schick to see if some of his guys can help unload the sluice box from Bill's trailer and coordinate to have the gate open on Temple Drive, as well as coordinate with Tim

Schick and/or Andy McQuagge to make sure the pump house is open to hook up to electrical and water to test the sluice box on Friday. Kim Landers will also coordinate with Tim Schick and/or Andy McQuagge about storage for the sluice box after the event, and to make sure they have help to get the sluice box back in the cage.

- Lindsay Davis indicated that she and her husband can be available at 4:30 pm on Friday to set up if needed. Varessa and Ryan Butts have a Rest Assured event at 6 pm to be at, they will be there at 4:30 pm to help set up but will need to leave in enough time to get to the event.
- Bill Harting will bring the hand trucks and will get out enough pay-dirt to get started Saturday morning. The hand trucks will be left in the pump house to get more pay dirt out as needed.
- Bill Harting asked about tables available, and about electrical outlets, hook-up, and safety. Bill Harting indicated he has rubber sheets and Ryan Butts indicated he could bring a drop cord and they could also use duct tape if needed.
- Kim Landers mentioned the possibility of rain on Saturday. Bill Harting indicated the pay dirt would be fine because it's in bags, the boxes just might get wet. Kathryn Baskin stated that everyone should be prepared for rain and should bring a rain jacket and umbrella just in case.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that Joann Burel put extra stickers on bags, and that they would put more stickers on tomorrow, and then as time permits the volunteers can put on at the event.
- Kathryn Baskin stated that she got a banner with the logo on it, but needs zip ties/bungee cords. Bill Harting indicated he would bring bungee cords.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that they should provide water and snacks for the volunteers and asked Kim Landers if she could take care of this. Kim Landers indicated that she would take care of.
- Kathryn Baskins stated that the magnets are in, but she found a lot of the old ones and they needed to be handed out.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that she purchased 4-yard signs to direct people to the sluice box and they needed to be placed strategically since most everything will be located on West Broad Street.
- Lindsay Davis indicated that she needs adult volunteers for Saturday 5-7, Varessa and Ryan Butts indicated they can be there at this time. Lindsay Davis indicated that she needs adult volunteers for 1-3 and 3-5 Sunday, Bill Harting and Kathy Harting indicated that they would be there probably the entire time. Lindsay Davis indicated that she also needs someone to be there 5-7 Sunday, Varessa and Ryan Butts indicated they would be there.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that she has the Women's Club booth to work but will be floating around on Sunday. Lindsay Davis stated that she and her husband have Braves tickets for Sunday but won't know the time of the game until later in the weekend.
- Lindsay Davis asked about giving instructions to the student volunteers. Kim Landers indicated that there is not a lot to it and that there will be always an adult there to show the volunteers what needs to be done as far as handing out bags, preparing bags for people to put gems in, and handing out the gem cards. Student Volunteers will not have to worry about the removal of the grey water.
- Varessa Butts stated that she and Ryan would be there a good bit but just couldn't commit to specific times.
- Kathryn Baskin asked about breaking down the sluice box and Kim Landers indicated she would check with city staff about location and help with breaking it down after the event. Bill Harting indicated he could just put back on his trailer after the event and get with Tim Schick on Monday and Ryan Butts indicated he could help get it back on the trailer.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that Kim Landers should have the t shirts and sweatshirts by Friday and will distribute by the size requested.
- Kathryn Baskin asked about printing flyers to distribute to direct people to the sluice box. Varessa Butts indicated that the signs should be sufficient, but maybe a flyer on the desk in the museum, flyer might cause litter.

- Bill Harting and Ryan Butts coordinated they would load up the sluice box on the trailer on Thursday at 4 pm to be ready to get delivered on Friday.
- Lindsay Davis indicated that Tiffany Hale Carter has a conflict with her volunteer time, so she will be doing Tiffany's shift from 1-3 on Saturday including her shift so she will be there from 1-5.

Museum Committee

Gold Mine Exhibit

- Kathryn Baskin indicated that she purchased a large sign for the museum, if the weather permits it can be placed outside and/or inside if raining.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated that the yard signs for the exhibit should come in tomorrow.
- Kathryn Baskin indicated the exhibit will have a different format this time. Posters will be used, which is a more modern design, and labels/captions will not have to be made for each item as in previous exhibits.
- Stephanie Isaacs indicated that she's enlarged the newspaper articles and census data and just needs frames for these items.
- Stephanie Isaacs indicated that she's picked up the gold and silver Hershey nuggets to give out at the museum.
- Bill Harting indicated he dropped off the model sluice box exhibit today. Kathryn Baskins stated Bill Harting needs to come make sure it's set up properly before exhibit opens.

Research Committee

Stephanie Isaacs is finished with research for now.

Cemetery Committee

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that Cemetery clean-up day has been set for November 6th from 8-1. There is gravel to be spread, plenty of D2 to clean the headstones, and since the supply chain is backed up on stones for unmarked graves Stephanie is unsure if they will have any in by this time to set. They are also asking Publix to supply snacks and water for the event but have been unsuccessful thus far. Lindsay Davis indicated that Kroger and/or Walmart might be a better source. Varessa Butts indicated that Gwinnett Water Resources may be able to supply water and can provide all the stuff (cooler, ice, cups) provided they can place educational materials out. Varessa Butts asked Stephanie Isaacs to just text her if Publix didn't pan out.

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that Veteran's Day would also be in November and Kathryn Baskin stated it would be November 11, 2021, at 10:30 am. Stephanie indicated that Bill Harting would be assisting her with putting out the holders and flags as he has in previous years.

Stephanie Isaacs indicated if the stone comes in, they may be doing another stone dedication.

Kathryn Baskin indicated that she would be at the museum tomorrow and Friday.

New Business

None.

There was no further business. Bill Harting made a motion to adjourn. Kathryn Baskin made the second.

Kathryn adjourned at 7:57 PM.