

**Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM**  
**City of Sugar Hill City Hall**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Approval of the Agenda**

Kathryn Baskin, chairman, convened the meeting at 7:00 PM and welcomed everyone. She called for a motion to approve the agenda. Bill Harting made a motion to approve the agenda. Stephanie Isaacs seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

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

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
Kathryn Baskin*	Board Member/Chairman
Joann Burel	Board Member/Treasurer
Tiffany Hale Carter	Board Member
Lindsay Davis*	Board Member
Bill Harting	Board Member
Kathy Harting	Volunteer
Stephanie Isaacs*	Board Member/Vice Chairman
Kim Landers	City Liaison
Margaret Neal*	Board Member
Alexis Torres	Museum Staff/Secretary
Robert Wilderspin	Guest
Ben Wood	Guest

The following members were absent:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
Varessa Butts	Volunteer
Ryckie Fernandez	Board Member
Darrell Pruitt	Board Member

\*Denotes committee chair

**Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

Kathryn Baskin called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 17, 2021. Bill Harting made a motion to approve the minutes. Margaret Neal seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously. (SHHPS did not meet in December 2021.)

**Special Guests**

Ben Wood and Robert Wilderspin were the special guests of the meeting. Ben Wood shared that he was a longtime Sugar Hill resident and found a large piece of metal while walking in the woods. Ben Wood read an article about Sugar Hill's origin story and believes the piece of metal

could be part of a horse-drawn carriage. Margaret Neal shared that Lynn Bowman with the Buford History Museum possibly could help find out the origins of the piece of metal. Kim Landers shared the directions to the Buford Museum. Ben Wood thanked the Sugar Hill Preservation Society for the help before leaving the meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Joann Burel went over the Treasurer's report and changes. Joann indicated that the Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society has \$10,000 budgeted by the City of Sugar Hill. Joann Burel also shared that the Sugar Hill Preservation Society has \$356.10 from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) left in the budget, but after additional book purchases made, there should be about \$82.10 left of the DAR money. Burel said there was no report for January.

Kathryn Baskin indicated that 65% of the budget from 2021 went to the museum. Kathryn Baskin called for a motion to approve \$500 for the moonshine museum exhibit. Stephanie Isaacs motioned to approve the \$500 for the moonshine museum exhibit. Bill Harting seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **Museum Committee**

Kathryn Baskin indicated that Tiffany Hale Carter has resigned as chair of the museum committee and that she and Stephanie Isaacs will now co-chair the museum committee. Kathryn Baskin shared that Kim Landers did an excellent interview with Andy Sudderth and George Sudderth on their life in Sugar Hill. Kathryn indicated that the museum is still working out dates for a reception and speaker for the moonshine exhibit.

### **Scholarship Committee**

Lindsay Davis indicated she looked at other historical societies to see what prompts they did for their scholarships. Lindsay Davis stated the scholarship committee will have more information about the scholarship at the February meeting. Margaret Neal motioned to approve the \$1,000 for the scholarship. Lindsay Davis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **Digital Archives Committee**

Margaret Neal indicated that the digital archives committee met on January 18, 2022. She noted that the digital archives committee will focus on several tasks including scanning and the metadata input. Margaret Neal reported that Kathryn Baskin shared information with the digital archives committee about a grant available from the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG) that will help with the metadata project.

### **Research Committee**

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that she thought the next exhibit should focus on the train history in Sugar Hill. Stephanie Isaacs said that if anyone finds any more research on the train, email her. Kathryn Baskin shared that the museum committee plans to bring back the Lake Lanier exhibit in time to coincide with the new movie about Lake Lanier after the train exhibit. Bill Harting indicated that he could put Stephanie Isaacs in touch with the train museum. Lindsay Davis mentioned knowing someone who works at the train museum who can potentially help find more research on the train history in Sugar Hill.

### **Cemetery Committee**

Stephanie Isaacs shared that the *Wreaths Across America* event with the Suwanee Creek Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution had a great turnout, despite inclement weather. Stephanie Isaacs indicated that about 70 to 80 people came to the event. She reported that the clean-up for *Wreaths Across America* was also a success.

Stephanie Isaacs shared that there are some upcoming Boy Scout projects, and she is working with them to define the projects.

Stephanie Issacs told SHHPS members that the veterans list is going very well and will be posted on the cemetery website when it is done. She added that another veteran's stone has arrived. Stephanie Isaacs shared that the veteran dedication ceremony may be private instead of public, depending on the family's wishes.

### **Old Business**

Bill Harting indicated that a 10X10 canopy tent would cost \$19. Lindsay Davis indicated that she or Varessa Butts could add vinyl onto the canopy tent. Kathryn Baskin commented that the canopy tent would help with cemetery events. Stephanie Isaacs mentioned that she has a spot to store the canopy tent.

### **New Business**

Kathryn Baskin advised the members that she was contacted by the SC-NSDAR and they asked SHHPS to help coordinate their annual meeting. The DAR state regent will be attending this meeting which will take place on April 11. Kathryn Baskin indicated that the DAR state regent will be to touring the museum.

Kathryn Baskin shared that the museum volunteering has been very regular.

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that her friend had found a book that could be displayed in the museum. She said that there is an indicator in the book about who donated the book. Stephanie Issacs shared that her friend will be on the lookout for more books that could be purchased for the museum library.

Kathryn Baskin indicated that the Sugar Hill Preservation Society is looking for new board members.

There was no further business. Bill Harting made a motion to adjourn. Kathryn Baskin made the second. Kathryn Baskin adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

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