

**Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 16, 2022, 7:00 PM**  
**City of Sugar Hill City Hall**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Approval of the Agenda**

Kathryn Baskin, chairman, convened the meeting at 7:03 PM and welcomed everyone. She 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:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
Kathryn Baskin*	Board Member/Chairman
Joann Burel	Board Member/Treasurer
Varessa Butts	Volunteer
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
Darrell Pruitt	Board Member
Steve Samples	Board Member
Alexis Torres	Museum Staff/Secretary

The following members were absent:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
Ryckie Fernandez	Board Member

\*Denotes committee chair

**Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

Kathryn Baskin called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 19, 2022. Bill Harting made a motion to approve the minutes. Lindsay Davis seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously. (SHHPS did not meet in February 2022.)

**Treasurer's Report and Approval**

Joann Burel went over the treasurer's report and changes. Burel indicated that the Sugar Hill Historic Preservation Society (SHHPS) received a \$100 donation from Caryl Broaderick Shine Pizza. Burel also shared that SHHPS transferred \$274 from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) funds to purchase genealogy research books. Burel also indicated that \$425.19 of the budget was used for the moonshine museum exhibit. Burel shared that SHHPS has \$9,674.81 left from the regular budget and \$78.11 left from the DAR funds.

Kim Landers shared that Kathryn Baskin helped Caryl Broaderick find old photos of Sugar Hill for the [Shine Pizza](#) restaurant. Lindsay Davis motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Bill Harting seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **Museum Committee**

Alexis Torres indicated that the guest book in the museum is now taking comments from guests. Torres also shared that the museum guest book may soon become digital to collect guests' emails for SHHPS and the Sugar Hill Arts Commission email list. Lindsay Davis shared that a QR code would be the best solution for digitizing the museum guest book.

### **Research Committee**

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that she is researching sports and baseball for the next museum exhibit. Isaacs also shared that she is looking for items that can be displayed for this exhibit. Kathryn Baskin indicated that the next museum exhibit might be ready in mid-May.

### **Scholarship Committee**

Lindsay Davis indicated that the SHHPS scholarship night would be at the museum on March 24, 2022, from 5 PM to 7 PM. Davis shared that she would be attending the scholarship night and asked if anyone wanted to come, they were welcome to participate. Davis also indicated that the scholarship is open until April 10, 2022. Davis also shared that the winner would be decided before the May city council meeting.

### **Digital Archives Committee**

Margaret Neal indicated that the digital archives committee is applying for a grant from the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG). Neal shared that SHHPS will be using the grant to digitize Sugar Hill City Council Meeting Minutes from 1939 to 1989. Neal indicated that Kim Landers found the meeting minutes stored in books. The meeting minutes vary from handwritten to typed. Neal indicated that the application deadline is on April 1, 2022. Neal also shared that the digital archives committee meets regularly to discuss the grant application. Neal also indicated that SHHPS will learn in May if SHHPS has received the grant.

### **Cemetery Committee**

Stephanie Isaacs indicated two upcoming Boy Scout projects in the cemetery. One Boy Scout project will repair two abandoned gravesites. Isaacs also shared that the May cemetery cleanup project is being planned to happen before Memorial Day.

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that she is doing more research about the unmarked graves in the cemetery. Isaacs also shared that she works with Mike [Riley-Reilly](#) to make more stones for unmarked graves.

Stephanie Isaacs also shared that only a few more spaces are available in the cemetery.

### **Budget**

Kathryn Baskin indicated that there is nothing new for the budget. Stephanie Issacs shared that she knew an artist who could design self-guided walking tour cards for SHHPS to hand out in the museum.

Kathryn Baskin asked SHHPS members to think about more locations for historical markers. Kim Landers shared an idea for a historical marker for the old church. Varessa Butts ~~also shared an idea for a~~ suggested that the historical marker for the old tree to be presented on Arbor Day. Baskin indicated that she wants SHHPS to brainstorm more ideas about how to use the budget for the April 2022 SHHPS meeting.

## **Old Business**

### **New Business/ Events and Announcements**

Kathryn Baskin indicated that the Suwannee Creek Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be meeting on April 11, 2022, at the museum and the Ecenter. The DAR state regent will be attending this meeting.

Kathryn Baskin indicated that the Gwinnett County History Bus Tour for March 19, 2022, has been canceled.

Kathryn Baskin also shared that the scholarship night is on March 24, 2022. Lindsay Davis asked SHHPS to help advertise the scholarship night on social media.

Kathryn Baskin indicated that she is working with the City of Sugar Hill's event staff to plan Sugar Hill's 83rd birthday at the museum. The event will take place on March 24, 2022. Baskin shared that walking tours will be given during the celebration. Kathryn Baskin and Stephanie Issacs will be giving the walking tour during the event. Bill Harting will be dressed as a gold miner for the event, and the event will end with a birthday cake celebration. The 83rd birthday celebration is geared toward elevating the status of ~~Main Street~~ the City of Sugar Hill in the Main Street program designations.

Stephanie Isaacs indicated that Sugar Hill City Council proclaimed Mike Reilly for his work with the cemetery and making stones.

Bill Harting indicated the need for about 20 more ~~grave markers~~ flag holders. Harting shared that the ~~grave markers~~ flag holders cost \$6 each. Lindsay Davis shared that Lanier High School could potentially help make more grave markers. Darrell Pruitt made a motion to approve the budget for 20 new ~~grave markers~~ flag holders that cost approximately \$6 each. Steve Samples seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Bill Harting indicated the need for approximately 20 more blue marking flags for the cemetery. Lindsay Davis makes a motion for \$200 to be used by Bill Harting to purchase more flags and supplies he may need. Tiffany Hale Carter seconds the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Darrell Pruitt indicates that SHHPS is looking for more board members.

## **Adjournment**

There was no further business. Bill Harting made a motion to adjourn. Steve Samples made the second. Kathryn Baskin adjourned the meeting at 7:51 PM.

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