

**Minutes  
Town of Windermere  
Historical Preservation Board  
May 30, 2012**

**Call to Order**

Windermere Historical Preservation Board Meeting was called to order on May 30, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Hannah Ammar in the Community Building, 118 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Windermere. Florida.

**Attendance**

Historical Preservation Board Members present at the meeting were: John Armstrong, Hannah Ammar, Theresa Schretzmann-Myers, Joan Foglia, John Fisher, Mary Francis Howard and Amy Dubois.

**Minutes Approval**

April Minutes were approved as corrected.

**Announcements**

Secretary Theresa Schretzmann-Myers reported on her attendance at the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation Conference in Gainesville May 16-18, 2012 for continuing education. Tours of historic buildings and sites in Gainesville, Micanopy and the Haile Plantation in Kanapaha yielded valuable information for Windermere historic board. A good contact for sustainable Florida heart pine lumber and cypress lumber for restoration of historic buildings or sites in Windermere was made with Carol Goodwin, Goodwin Heart Pine Company, 106 SW 109<sup>th</sup> Place, Micanopy, FL 32667, Phone: 800-336-3118.

**Business**

**1890 Schoolhouse Landscape Committee-Irrigation and Landscape Plans**

A Landscape Committee consisting of John Armstrong, Theresa Schretzmann-Myers, Joan Foglia, Hannah Ammar, along with Windermere Garden Club Landscape Committee members Peggy Collins, Jackie Rapport and Vicki Hearst was formed. The Landscape Committee scheduled a site meeting on May 10, 2012 with Town Manager Robert Smith, Public Works Director Craig McNeal and Brent Howard also in attendance. Windermere Garden Club is donating \$1,000 towards the 1890's Schoolhouse Landscaping. Mary Francis Howard will be donating the cost of the irrigation labor performed by Brent Howard to plan and install the irrigation system which will tie into the existing well on the property.

At May 10, 2012 site meeting Brent Howard, Town Manager Robert Smith and Public Works Director McNeal examined the current well and relay box which appeared to be burned out. However, the current well pump on the historic site needs power to determine whether the well is operational. A power pole needs to be run to the well to confirm this prognosis. Robert Smith requested Public Works Director Craig McNeal cost out the power pole to the well and get a power line to the well.

Robert Smith requested Brent Howard send over specs on the well and pump needed to operate the proposed irrigation system plan. The main cost for the well may be a new well pump (1 ½-2 Horse Power). If it is determined the well pump start relay is burned out it will need to be replaced. The pump may be in excess of \$300. It was suggested that Alvin "Bubba" Smith Well Drilling be consulted on the well condition.

Windermere Tree Board has donated Florida Native trees and camellias being held and ready to be planted on the 1890's Schoolhouse National Register site perimeter as per the town workshop charette

which yielded the conceptual landscape site plan. In that plan is the restoration of the landscape around the schoolhouse with historic varieties of plants, Florida Native trees and camellias on the perimeter, a community garden and historic citrus grove restoration.

John Armstrong suggested the following historical varieties of citrus replace the citrus in the historic portion of the grove that was destroyed in the attempted move of the 1890's schoolhouse: Dancy Tangerine, Duncan Grapefruit, Parson Brown Orange, Pineapple Blood Orange. Phone inquiry to Larry Schatzer at Our Friends Tropical Nursery for estimates regarding historic citrus varieties yielded the following:

<b>Historic Citrus Varieties</b>	<b>Gallon Size</b>	<b>Price</b>
Dancy Tangerine	10 Gallon	\$75
Duncan Grapefruit	30 Gallon	\$165
Parson Brown Orange	30 Gallon	\$189
Pineapple Blood Orange	10 Gallon	\$85

It was the request of the Board that a landscape and irrigation budget be prepared by Treasurer Joan Foglia and Landscaper Brent Howard. Mary Francis Howard will be donating the cost of the irrigation labor for Brent Howard's labor. Mary Frances Howard explained Brent would be drawing up an irrigation plan - it will include the cost of the piping and sprinkler heads. With the information discussed in this meeting Historic Board is looking at a \$2000 minimum estimate for landscape and irrigation.

#### **Rotary Club Grant**

It was suggested by Secretary Theresa Schretzmann-Myers that the Windermere Historic Board Approach Windermere Rotary Club about a \$1,000 matching grant as a source of revenue to match the \$1,000 Windermere Garden Club Landscaping Grant. Amy Dubois stated a letter to Rotary President Steve Fasen would be appropriate. A letter will be drafted by the Secretary for approval by the Historic Board and submittal to Windermere Rotary President Stephen Fasen. Chairman Hannah Ammar will send Historic Board logo/letterhead to Secretary for drafting that letter.

#### **Budget**

Hannah Ammar announced the proposed 2012-2013 Historic Board budget must be prepared and turned into the Town Council for approval. Hannah Ammar made a motion for Joan Foglia to prepare proposed 2012-2012 Historic Board budget request be turned into Town Council by June. Seconded by Secretary Theresa Schretzmann-Myers. Motion was approved by unanimous Committee vote.

Next Meeting was scheduled Wednesday, June 27, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

I hereby certify these are the Minutes of the Windermere Historic Preservation Board.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

#### **THERESA SCHRETZMANN-MYERS**

Theresa Schretzmann-Myers  
Secretary, Windermere Historical Preservation Board