

**Minutes**  
**Historic Preservation Committee**  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S. E.  
Suite 1252 East Tower  
Atlanta, GA 30334

**June 23, 2010**

**Attending:**

Committee Members

Walter Hudson, Chairman  
Dennis Billew  
Dwight Davis  
Joe Hatfield  
Loyce Turner  
Philip Watt  
Steven Woodruff  
Jenny Lynn Bradley, Board Chairman, ex-officio

Board Members

Bill Archer  
Earl Barrs  
Warren Budd  
Bill Carruth  
Mabel Jenkins  
Phyllis Johnson  
Ray Lambert  
Jim Walters

Visitors

Representative Bob Lane  
Pat Harris, Assistant to Representative Bob Lane  
Ben Harris, Georgia Power Company  
Jennifer Whitmire, Georgia Power Company  
Steve Ewald, Georgia Power Company  
Maggie lee, Freelance Reporter  
Scott Tanner, Joe Tanner & Associates  
Bettie Sleeth, Home Builders Association of Georgia  
Corey Babb, Metro North Georgia Water Planning Dev.  
Abit Massey, Georgia Poultry Federation  
Aaron Estis, The Estis Group

Staff Members

Chris Clark  
Allen Barnes  
Spud Woodward  
Dave Crass  
Becky Kelley  
Marlin Gottschalk  
Dan Forster  
Emily Hitchcock  
Kyle Pearson  
Paul Burkhalter  
Todd Holbrook  
Steve Friedman  
John Bowers  
John Biagi  
Lauren Curry  
Homer Bryson  
Brittany Flood  
Paul Nelson  
Mark Whitney  
John Martin  
Suzanne Burnes  
Cathy Holtzclaw  
Rusty Garrison  
Doralyn Kirkland  
Linda Patrick  
Sarah Dearman  
Antoinette Norfleet  
Mary Ann Evans

The June 23, 2010 meeting of the Historic Preservation Committee was called to order by Board Chairman Jenny Lynn Bradley. Chairman Bradley called on Walter Hudson, Chairman of the Historic Preservation Committee.

Mr. Hudson called on Dave Crass, Director, Historic Preservation Division (HPD), for a briefing.

Dr. Crass stated that he would like to brief the Committee on the archaeology team from Georgia Southern University working at Magnolia Springs State Park to try to uncover a Prisoner of War (POW) Camp that was operated there for approximately six to seven weeks in the fall of 1864. He further stated that preliminary indications are very good at this time and that he hopes to give a full account of the investigation of the team at the August meeting.

Dr. Crass stated that an archaeological team from the University of Tennessee has been working on Sapelo Island in the Gullah-Geechee Community at Hog Hammock on a research project at Behavior Cemetery, which is one of the most sacred places on Sapelo. He further stated that it is believed that there are several unmarked graves of ancestors of the inhabitants of the community, and that the team worked on this project for several months. He added that the community was pleased with the findings.

Dr. Crass stated that the *Atlanta* magazine he handed out contained an article on Collier Heights, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. He further stated that Collier Heights was home to most of the major Civil Rights leaders in the southeast in the 1950s and 1960s, and had been nominated as a National Register Historic District. He added that the nomination brought national attention to the Historic Preservation Division.

Dr. Crass showed a PowerPoint on the most recent nominations to the National Register of Historic Places that were presented at the June 2010 Georgia National Register Review Board meeting. He stated that listing on the National Register of Historic Places gives the property owner access to various state and federal tax incentives, as well as technical assistance and grants that they would not have access to otherwise. He further stated that it is often used as a redevelopment tool for downtown historic districts.

Dr. Crass stated that the Georgia National Register Review Board meets three times per year and is comprised of outside experts. He further stated that the Georgia National Register Review Board votes as to whether or not to list a property on the Georgia Register. He added that the properties listed on the Georgia Register are automatically forwarded to the National Park Service (NPS), where their team of experts

review the nominations and either pass or turn them down. He further added that most all of HPDs nominations are accepted by NPS to be placed on the National Register.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.