

Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board Minutes  
July 22, 2015  
Indiana Government Conference Center  
Conference Room C  
302 West Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

**Board members present:** Deputy- Director Chris Smith, DNR; Chairman; Daniel Kloc, AIA; Beth McCord; Kevin Orme; Richard Butler; Joshua Palmer

**Staff members present:** Paul Diebold, Holly Tate, Chad Slider, John Carr; Amy Borland; Cathy Draeger-Williams; Dave Duvall; and Susan Judy, of DHPA

**Visitors/Speakers present:** Rob Tedrow ; Mary Kennedy, INDOT; Patrick Carpenter; Tommy Kleckner, Landmarks; Robert Hostetler; Jeff Koehler, Clay County Historian; Dan Prevost; Karen E. Stearley; Danielle Mace; Vickie Mace; Debbie Hostetler; Leah Hostetler; Donna Hostetler; Lynn Hostetler; Eli Hostetler; Jodi Lohrmas; Carrie Petty; Kyle Muellner; Amy Kotzbauer; Ben Clark; Mark Dollase, Landmarks; John Warner; Jeff Taylor; John Davis, Deputy Director, DNR; Jason Larrison; Lacy Willard; Raina Raines; Sam Burgers; Ted Meek; Kurt Garner; Mandy J. Wagner; Connie Zeigler; Jennifer Jones; Todd Meyer; Josephine J. Kerr.

### **Call to Order**

Deputy Director Chris Smith convened the meeting at 2:08 p.m.  
Deputy Director Smith introduced himself and opened the meeting.

### **Approval of the April 30, 2015 meeting minutes**

Deputy Director Smith asked for any corrections, additions, or any questions regarding the minutes from the last meeting on April 30, 2015.  
A motion was made for approval of the minutes from the last meeting by Daniel Kloc and seconded by Beth McCord.  
The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Division Director's Report:**

*The Director's Report was moved to the end of the meeting.*

### **National Register Applications**

- 1. Browne-Rafert House**, 534 N. Merrill Street, Fortville, Hancock County (2263)  
Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. H. Lauter Company Complex**, 35-101 S. Harding St., Indianapolis, Marion County (2349)  
Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. Ted Meek, a resident of the complex, asked

questions about the results of listing the property. Staff responded; no verbal objection was made by Mr. Meek. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.

**3. Richmond High School**, 380 Hub Etchison Way, Richmond, Wayne County (2352) Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. Rob Tedrow, Chief Operations Officer for Richmond Schools, asked questions about use of public funds to improve HVAC systems in the school building, and any limitations posed by listing. Paul Diebold and Chad Slider responded; there were no further comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.

**4. Covington Courthouse Square Historic District**, roughly bounded by the alley north of Washington St. on the north; the alley east of Fourth St. to the east; the alley south of Liberty St. to the south; and Third St. to the west, Covington, Fountain County (2382) Holly Tate gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.

**5. Covington Residential Historic District**, roughly bounded by Pearl, Liberty, Fourth and Seventh Streets, Covington, Fountain County (2383) Holly Tate gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6. Cromwell Historic District**, Jefferson Street between Second and Orange Streets, Cromwell, Noble County (2388) Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. Ulen Historic District**, Roughly including Ulen Country Club and Golf Course, and houses along Ulen Blvd. and East Dr. from E. Ulen Dr. to the concrete bridge at roughly 150 Ulen Blvd., Ulen, Boone County (2377) Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.

**8. Hopewell Methodist Episcopal Church and Cemetery**, 5031 E 300 N, Urbana vicinity, Wabash County (2390) Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Beth McCord. The motion was approved unanimously.

**9. Delphi Methodist Episcopal Church**, 118 N. Union St., Delphi, Carroll County (2393) Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Joshua Palmer and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.

**10. Van Reed Farmstead**, 5322 Old U.S. 41, Williamsport vicinity, Warren County (2394) Holly Tate gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.

**11. Forest Hill Cemetery, 2181 South CR 50 West, Greencastle, Putnam County (2398)**  
Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer. The motion was approved unanimously.

**12. Archaeological Site 12T59 and 12T530, Tippecanoe County (2326)**  
Cathy Draeger-Williams gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Beth McCord and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Request to approve new documentation and to certify the continued eligibility of Indiana State Highway Bridge 46-11-1316, S.R. 46 over Eel River, Clay County, if moved to Brown County, Indiana**

Chairman Chris Smith suggested that the staff comment and discussion be divided into two items, one for each request made by the applicant. Paul Diebold provided an overview of the item, and stated that the National Park Service will consider the requests as two separate actions: 1) to approve additional documentation for bridge, giving it significance under Criterion C; and 2) to request approval to maintain the National Register status of the bridge, if it were to be moved as described in the application, to the sites described in the application.

The first item of discussion was the request to approve the continuation pages that make a case for Criterion C eligibility for the bridge. Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Staff stated that the pages drafted by INDOT staff make a case for the bridge as a type, and suggested that the board approve them, and forward them to the National Park Service. The chair allowed for applicant and public input regarding the addition of the continuation pages and Criterion C to the official National Register record. Mary Kennedy spoke on behalf of INDOT, in favor of adding the pages and Criterion C. Tommy Kleckner of Indiana Landmarks favored the action, but Mark Dollase of Indiana Landmarks did not. Robert Hostetter and Clay County Historian Jeff Koehler offered further testimony to the bridge's significance to the community and to its New Deal funding origins. Richard Butler introduced a motion stating that, based on the continuation pages, the board believes the bridge meets Criterion C, and asks staff to forward the pages to the National Park Service for final approval. Joshua Palmer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Next, Chris Smith asked staff to comment on the proposed new sites for the bridge. Paul Diebold stated that staff believes that a single site in Brown County might be appropriate for the entire span as one unit. However, staff believes that the National Park Service/National Register office will see the division of the spans as too much of an alteration to the overall design of the bridge. Therefore, staff believes that the relocation, as proposed, would render the bridge ineligible for the National Register. Diebold did state that the action before the board is not to approve or disapprove of the concept of moving the bridge, but only to determine whether the bridge would still be eligible if moved in the manner proposed, to the sites proposed. Staff outlined various options the board could take on the matter. Staff requested the Board to act, either as outlined in the staff comment, or otherwise. DHPA staff would report to INDOT and the Board once the NPS has rendered an opinion.

Chris Smith opened the item for applicant and public comment. Mary Kennedy presented a comment for INDOT. She indicated that the bridge has been offered either in situ or if moved, to any public entity, for a lengthy period of time on INDOT's web site. She and other INDOT staff

believe the option presented to the board is the best one to save some aspect of the bridge's integrity. Mark Dollase, Tommy Kleckner, Robert Hostetler, Jeff Koehler and John Warner spoke against the proposed relocation. Dollase indicated that the bridge is a select bridge on the Indiana Historic Bridges Inventory, a designation intended to protect the bridge. Deputy Director for Land Management, John Davis, explained the benefits of moving the bridge to Brown County to complete a needed trail project. The board then asked staff to summarize their options.

Richard Butler made a motion stating that the board believes that the bridge would be rendered not eligible for the National Register if moved as proposed, but the board requests the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places within the National Park Service review the materials and render an opinion on the continued eligibility of the bridge, if moved. Beth McCord seconded the motion. The results of the vote were 4 votes in favor and 1 vote opposed (Palmer cast the opposing vote). The motion passed.

### Certificates of Approval

**1. Archaeological investigation and reconstruction of springhouse at Bronnenberg, Mounds State Park, Madison County, Indiana.** Cathy Draeger-Williams gave the staff comments. Ben Clark spoke on behalf of DNR/State Parks. A motion to approve was made by Joshua Palmer and seconded by Richard Butler. The motion was approved.

**2. Application by the Indiana Department of Transportation for a Certificate of Approval to demolish and replace the SR 403 bridge over Silver Creek (Bridge Number 403-10-01941A) in Clark County, Indiana.** John Carr gave the staff comments. A motion to approve the demolition and replacement of the bridge was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Joshua Palmer with conditions as stipulated in the staff comment. The motion was approved.

**3. Certificate of approval application concerning the installation of a wheelchair lift and a vertical lift within the Indiana War Memorial, Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana** David Duvall gave the staff comments. This item was previously submitted to DHPA for board action in 2014, but was withdrawn by the applicant. A motion to approve was made by Joshua Palmer and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved with conditions.

### Properties Listed in, Rejected by, or Removed from the National Register since the last Notification

Listed  
None

Rejected  
None

Removed  
None

## **Division Director's Report**

*Due to the absence of Mitch Zoll, the Director's report was given by Paul Diebold at the end of the meeting.*

DHPA State Fair activities – Heritage Day Aug 17th , tours every Thurs, Fri, Sat; Thurs 20th UGRR at 1 pm, Fri 21st Old House advice 2-4pm; Sat 22nd Archaeo Road Show 10 am -12pm

September is Archaeo Month – see web site for activities. Submit activities to us by Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>

Sept. 26th Indiana Public Archaeology Symposium at U of I, see web site / contact Rachael Sharkey for details.

Submit any abstracts for presentation proposals by Aug. 14th.

HPF grants are due 5 pm Friday October 2nd.

Preserving Historic Places is in Vincennes in April 26th-29th, 2016. Jeannie is accepting proposals for presentations.

## **Set date for the next meeting**

### **Proposed date:**

October, 21 2015, IGCS, Conference Room C, 2:00 p.m.

Deadline for receipt of Certificate of Approval applications: September 11, 2015, 4:45 p.m.

Deputy- Director Chris Smith asked for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by consensus

The meeting was adjourned approximately 4:35 p.m.

