Board members present: DNR Deputy-Director Chris Smith, Board Chair; Jim Corridan; Beth McCord; Scott Keller; Jason Larrison; Dan Kloc.

Staff members present: Mitchell Zoll, DHPA Director and Ex-Officio Board Member; Amy Borland; Paul Diebold; Holly Tate; Steve Kennedy.

Visitors/Speakers present included: Roane Smothers, Union Literary Institute Preservation Society; Diane Hunter, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma; Tillie Mason, member of Our Savior Lutheran Church; Jim Boyd, staff member, Our Savior Lutheran Church; Mark Dollase, Indiana Landmarks; Sam Burgess, Indiana Landmarks; Tommy Kleckner, Indiana Landmarks; Michael Flowers, Indiana Landmarks; Joe Jarzen, Keep Indianapolis Beautiful; Rose Wernicke, consultant; Phillip Gick, Heritage Preservation Society of Putnam County; Glory-June Greiff, consultant; Craig Leonard, member of Union Literary Institute Preservation Society.

Call to Order

Deputy-Director Chris Smith convened the meeting at 2:00 P.M. in the conference room of the Indiana State Police Museum.

Approval of the January meeting’s minutes

The minutes of the January 17, 2018 Review Board minutes were approved. Motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan, seconded by Jason Larrison.

Division Director’s Report

Smith asked for Mitch Zoll to present the report. Zoll noted that the Preserving Historic Places Conference will be held next week in Columbus, Indiana, and he encouraged the board and audience to investigate the conference’s offerings. Zoll noted that Cathy Dreager and Rachel Sharkey both gave public presentations about different aspects of archaeology during the past month. Zoll mentioned that Preservation Month posters have been printed and copies are available from Amy Borland. The theme this year is Indiana’s County Homes. Lastly, Zoll noted that on March 12, 2018, the Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology was presented with a Director’s Award from DNR, for DHPA’s outstanding efforts in assisting Division of State Parks with their compliance with state law regarding rehabilitation of historic structures and archaeology on State Park lands.

National Register Applications

1. Union Literary Institute, Spartansburg vicinity, Randolph County (2413)

Mitch Zoll presented the staff comment. Smith recognized Roane Smothers, who spoke in favor of the nomination but stated that the level of significance should be national, not local. Smothers presented his case for national significance based on points of the rarity of an agricultural manual labor school, significance of those attended, and the rarity of Union Literary as
precedent for other schools that had African-American pupils in attendance. Several questions were asked of staff, regarding technical points. Corridan asked Smothers if he would favor local listing, if it meant that the nomination could be altered later. Corridan made a motion to approve the nomination, as it was presented to the board. Kloc seconded the motion, the motion was unanimously approved.

2. Stout Field, Administration Building, Marion County (2470)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Jason Larrison made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Scott Keller seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

3. Stout Field, Hangar, Marion County (2471)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Jason Larrison made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Dan Kloc seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

4. Cloverdale Historic District, generally bounded by Robert J. Weist Avenue on the north, Lafayette Street on the east, Logan Street on the south, and Grant Street on the west, Cloverdale, Putnam County (2481)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Kloc made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Larrison seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

5. Peru Courthouse Square Historic District, roughly bounded by the Wabash River and Wabash, 7th, and Miami Streets, Peru, Miami County (2488)

Holly Tate presented the staff comment. Chairman Smith recognized Diane Hunter, representing the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma’s Fort Wayne office. A letter, received from Ms. Hunter on the morning of 4/11/2018 was presented to the board at the meeting regarding the nomination. Ms. Hunter stated that she believes that a statement about the deportation of the Miami from Indiana should be added to the nomination, since it is believed that the Miami were boarded to a canal boat at a site in the district, in 1846. Smith noted that the events of 1846 were outside of the period of significance of the nomination, but that the letter would be sent to Washington with the nomination, and would thus be part of the official record. Corridan encouraged the Miami to nominate sites such as this as individual archaeological sites. Corridan made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers, with a provision that staff forward the letter in question. Beth McCord seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

6. National Road over Deer Creek Historic District, U.S. 40 and W. County Road 570S/Old U.S. 40 and S. County Road 25 E (Putnam County bridges #237 and #187), Putnamville vicinity, Putnam County (2489)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Diebold noted that two objections were received from the total of four private owners, but that this did not constitute a majority per federal regulations. Rose Wernicke, Michael Flowers, Tommy Kleckner, Phil Gick, and Joe Jarzen all spoke on behalf of the nomination, and Kleckner presented to the board a copy of the minutes of the Putnam County Commissioners, owners of the bridges, stating their support of the
nomination. Larrison made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. McCord seconded the nomination, the motion was approved unanimously.

7. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 261 West 25th Street, Indianapolis, Marion County (2495)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Chairman Smith recognized Jim Boyd, a staff member of Our Savior, who favored acceptance of the nomination. Corridan made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Keller seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

8. Center Ridge Cemetery, 704 W. Johnson St., Sullivan, Sullivan County (2499)

Amy Borland presented the staff comment. Kloc made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Larrison seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

9. Little Crow Milling Company Factory, 201 South Detroit Street, Warsaw, Kosciusko County (2500)

Paul Diebold presented the staff comment, noting that the building is an Investment Tax Credit Project. Corridan made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. McCord seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

10. University Club, 970 North Delaware Street, Indianapolis, Marion County (2503)

Scott Keller recused himself from action on this agenda item. Paul Diebold presented the staff comment. Chairman Smith recognized Glory-June Greiff, who spoke in favor. Larrison made a motion to approve the application for the State and National Registers. Kloc seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Certificates of Approval

Smith noted that there were no Certificates of Approval before the board for this meeting.

Grant Evaluation Criteria and Priorities for FY 2019 Historic Preservation Fund

Steve Kennedy presented the staff comment. He noted that since citizens from Putnam County were in attendance today, he should point out that the Putnam County Civil War Memorial project was an HPF project and that it will be receiving an award from DHPA at the conference next week.

Kennedy noted that staff remains satisfied with 2018 criteria, and only hoped to have minor updates and clarifications for FY2019.

For Administrative Criteria, the only change was to add Pendleton to the list of CLGs.

For Architectural and Historical Criteria, the only changes needed are to the list of targeted historic districts, since several have since been nominated.

For Archaeology Criteria, Kennedy noted that the criteria were radically changed last year, for FY2018, to include only DNR-owned lands for Phase I survey work. This was to accommodate the necessity of review of state-funded projects on DNR lands, since there is a data gap and agencies are unable to fund this type of work. DHPA funded three archaeology surveys on DNR
properties last year. Corridan asked how long such surveys would be limited to DNR property. Kennedy felt that it may take five years, including last year’s surveys. McCord noted that there is data gap for state properties regarding archaeological information.

For Acquisition and Development, no significant changes were recommended.

For Historic Preservation Fund Grant Program Guidelines, only minor changes are recommended by staff.

Lastly, Kennedy noted that public comments were received by DHPA until April 6, 2018. Only one question was received. Kloc made a motion to approve the FY2019 HPF Matching Grant Program Evaluation Criteria and Priorities as presented by staff. Larrison seconded the motion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Diebold addressed the board regarding properties added to the National Register, noting that DHPA has been successful in having the Residential Planning MPDF accepted, and that Indiana is the only state to have such a document.

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

Listed

ALL COUNTIES
Residential Planning and Development in Indiana, 1940-1973 MPS, MC100002181, COVER DOCUMENTATION APPROVED, 2/27/2018

HOWARD COUNTY
Tate, George and Helen, House, 114 E. Jefferson St., Kokomo, SG100002182, LISTED, 3/6/2018

NOBLE COUNTY
Kneipp Springs Historic District, 2725 & 2730 E Northport Rd., Rome City, SG100002183, LISTED, 3/6/2018

WHITLEY COUNTY
Blue Bell Inc., Factory Building, 307 S Whitley St., Columbia City, SG100002184, LISTED, 3/7/2018

Rejected
None.

Removed
None.

Set date for the next meeting
Proposed date: July 18, 2018, 2:00 p.m., at Bona Thompson Memorial Center, 5350 University Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219. Deadline for receipt of Certificate of Approval applications, June 8, 2018, 4:45 p.m.