

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF OXFORD

Minutes – July 27, 2017

MEMBERS: Dr. Melvin Baker, Chair; Ms. Sarah Davis, Vice-Chair; Mr. J P Godfrey, Mr. Jeff Wearing, and Ms. Kendra Mayfield. Mr. Tom Johnson was absent.

STAFF: Matthew Pepper, assistant city manager.

GUESTS: Mike Ready, councilmember.

OPENING: At 5:58 PM, Dr. Baker called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

PURPOSE OF THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: The Committee members reviewed their responsibilities as set forth by City Council. They will focus on two historic properties: the Yarborough House (107 W. Clark) and the Bloodworth House (6153 Emory Street). The Committee members agreed to submit their final report to City Council between late October and early November of 2017.

STRATEGY FOR EVALUATING THE PROPERTIES: The Committee members decided to evaluate the two properties on the basis of their historical significance and physical condition. It was decided that Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Johnson, and Ms. Davis will study the history of the two properties, and Mr. Wearing, Ms. Mayfield, and Dr. Baker will evaluate their physical condition. Each group will report their findings at the next meeting.

SETTING FUTURE MEETING TIMES: The Committee members decided to meet every third Thursday of the month at 6 PM.

YARBOROUGH HOUSE TOUR: Due to inclement weather, the Committee members did not take a tour of the property on 107 W. Clark as planned. It was decided that they can tour the property individually at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT: Dr. Baker adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Approved by:



Melvin Baker, Chair