## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF OXFORD

Minutes – September 21, 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**: No guests were in attendance.

OPENING: At 6:03 PM, Dr. Baker called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Upon motion of Mr. Godfrey, seconded by Mr. Wearing, the minutes for the meeting of August 17, 2017 were adopted. The vote was 5-0.

**PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF COMMITTEE REPORT**: Dr. Baker distributed draft copies of the Committee's report to each member. The Committee members briefly reviewed the draft report. Dr. Baker asked the Committee members to review the draft report in greater detail, and share any thoughts and/or corrections with him before the next meeting.

**USAGES OF THE PROPERTIES:** The Committee determined that the best usage of the 6153 Emory Street (Bloodworth House) property would be to develop the property into a pocket park. It was also decided that the Committee would ask for suggestions from the city's Tree, Parks, and Recreation Board on how to best use the parcel for a pocket park. As for the 107 W Clark property (Yarbrough House), the Committee members determined that the house would be best used as a joint welcome-community center. Mr. Pepper will send out a survey to Oxford residents to solicit additional ideas for the 107 W Clark property.

ADJOURNMENT: Dr. Baker adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM.

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Approved by:

Melvin Baker, Chair