

Smithfield 2020 Notes from project team meeting of May 11, 2011

Present:

Rick Bodson	Sheila Gwaltney	Lisa Perry
Margaret Carroll	Trey Gwaltney	Connie Rhodes
Bill Davidson	Mark Hall	Judy Winslow
John Edwards	Randy Pack	

Admin / updates

The Town Council has tasked Peter Stephenson with drafting a Request for Proposal for the sale or lease of the Windsor Castle manor house and surrounding historic easement. This effort is in parallel with the delivery of the final report from the College of William & Mary study.

A proposed Smithfield Wine and Brew Festival is in early planning stages; it's to be hosted at Windsor Castle Park April 13 to 15, 2012. The Isle of Wight Amateur Athletic Association is on point to organize the event; Mark Hall will liaise for Smithfield 2020 as appropriate.

Project updates

The need to update Historic District building classifications presented by Trey Gwaltney and William Saunders was positively received by the Town Council, who tasked William with defining the scope of the update effort and presenting the project specifics to the Council's Public Buildings and Welfare Committee.

The Smithfield license plate project (In Devt) pushed the submission deadline to May 31st, but with fewer than 100 applications in hand toward the DMV-mandated minimum of 350, the initiative will likely be tabled. Final determination will be made at the June team meeting.

No significant new items were reported on the façades improvement grants initiative (In Devt). Two high probability candidates have been identified and dialog with them continues.

The Town Council's Police Committee voted to task the Town Attorney to develop a draft ordinance permitting golf carts in designated areas. The project team's discussion on the golf carts initiative (In Devt) emphasized a commitment to safety and recommended that the ordinance not permit carts on Church Street until the completion of the beautification project. Randy Pack will continue to be on point for the initiative and will update as appropriate.

There was no update of note on Public Art (Concept Defined) initiative.

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 1, 8:30 AM, Arts Center @ 319 classroom

These meeting notes submitted by Rick Bodson.