

GERMANTOWN HISTORIC COMMISSION
Tuesday, March 22, 2011, 6:00 P.M.
Parks and Recreation Conference Room

The regular meeting of the Germantown Historic Commission was held Tuesday, March 22, 2011, in the Parks and Recreation Conference Room. Chairman Bagby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Present: Chairman Louise Bagby, Daneise Burnette, Joy Cook, Kay Fleming, Dale Hicks, Roma Macko-Sailors, Jim McGehee, Warren Travis and Alderman John Drinnon.

Absent: Luci Calvin.

Staff Present: George Brogdon, Community Services Division Director.

Guests: Jackie Clift, Carolyn Cates and Charles Salvaggio of the Germantown Museum.

HERITAGE AND HISTORY DAY

Chairman Bagby stated Heritage and History Day would have to be September 17th or October 15th to be able to get the equipment they needed from the City and also to make sure it did not conflict with any holidays.

ORAL HISTORY

Chairman Bagby stated the Hopper sisters, who worked with the Hopper Store originally at Poplar and Germantown where the Independent Bank is located, were interviewed. Jim McGehee noted that it was the first delicatessen in Germantown and the interview is now being written up.

CROSSTALK

Chairman Bagby said the next homes to be interviewed for Crosstalk will be the Nurnberg Home on March 25th and Kirby Home on March 27th.

MUSEUM BOARD

Carolyn Gates spoke to the Commission regarding the Germantown Baptist Church Chapel. She said it is presently on the Methodist Hospital property and a place has not yet been found to put the church. She stated Methodist Hospital is agreeable to give the church to the City.

Jackie Clift stated the Germantown Museum is a 501c(3) and she met with Mayor Goldsworthy regarding two different spots in Morgan Woods, one is rural and one is front, but there was concern that it would take out a lot trees. She said she did not want to have a "turf war" with the City, but the City does have 700 acres and 100 in the C. O. Franklin area. She said Germantown has always been a leader but is behind in history; Bartlett has a museum and Collierville does also and is spending \$300,000 on the White Church. She said this chapel would not be a museum full of stuff but would have outside education displays and the church could be used for rentals and she thought the church could make some dollars for revenue. She said the church is 35' x 60', approximately 2,100 square foot.

She mentioned Cannonsburg Village that she visited with City of Germantown staff, Carolyn Gates and former Mayor Salvaggio.

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Resolution/Motion: Jim McGehee moved that the Historic Commission compose a resolution confirming their advocacy for the Baptist Church removal to City property for use as a museum. Motion was seconded and passed.

ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.