

MINUTES  
Heritage Trust Advisory Board  
Thursday, August 2, 1984  
Rembert C. Dennis Building, Columbia

Members Present

Sid Gauthreaux  
Rudy Mancke  
Bruce Rippeteau  
Fred Brinkman  
Wade Batson  
Christie Fant  
Claudette Cureton  
Ed Burgess  
Gurdon Tarbox  
Walter Ahearn  
James Timmerman

Other Attendees

Stuart Greeter  
Joe Watson  
Robert Stephenson  
Tom Kohlsaat  
LaBruce Alexander  
Mark Barker  
Roger Jones  
Marion Edmonds  
Mike Foley  
Langdon Edmunds  
Douglas Rayner  
John Nelson  
Steve Bennett

Members Absent

Daniel Winstead  
Arthur Ravenel  
Pat Walker  
Henry Savage  
Ed Drane  
*Bob Zumpfer*

Chairman Gauthreaux called the August 2 meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board to order at 10:00 AM in the Rembert C. Dennis Building in Columbia. He welcomed Dr. Bruce Rippeteau from the Archeological Institute, Mark Barker from S. C. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, and John Nelson from the Wildlife Department. The minutes of the May 3 meeting were approved without any amendments.

Dr. Timmerman commented that the Wildlife Department had a successful year with the State legislature. He intends to recommend delisting alligators next year and request additional funding for alligator-related work. He will also request funding for land acquisition. Dr. Timmerman is working to establish a committee to consider land acquisition needs and problems. He was able to obtain \$323,000 through the Recreation Land Trust Fund to purchase the Ashmore Tract, which is an approved Heritage Trust protection project.

S. C. Ridge Law

Tom Kohlsaat described the S. C. Ridge Law, which had passed the legislature this year. The changes that the Department of Archives and History recommended had been made.



## Land Protection Development Proposal

*Congressional*

Tom Kohlsaas reported that the Governor's Council on Natural Resources and the Environment was established to consider environmental concerns and make recommendations to the Governor. Mr. Kohlsaas is working with the Land Use Subcommittee and has proposed a \$2 million annual appropriation for land acquisition. He passed out copies of the proposal. Fred Brinkman reported that his 1985-86 budget request for the Recreation Land Trust Fund will be \$500,000. He passed out copies of a request for an annual appropriation in that amount. Mr. Brinkman pointed out that the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund will cease to exist in 1989 if it is not renewed. The Advisory Board voted to write letters of support for renewal and send them to the State Legislative Delegation. Christie Fant reported that the State Department of Archives and History will be requesting a \$250,000 bond appropriation for local assistance projects. After some discussion among the members it was generally agreed that the budget requests should be a coordinated effort.

## HTP Slide Show

Steve Bennett presented the amended HTP slide show. The slide show was followed by a general discussion concerning the need for a taped narration. It was generally agreed that a cassette tape should be supplied with the slide show to be used at the option of those making the presentation.

## Budget Committee

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Tom Kohlsaas reported that five endangered species staff positions have been transferred to State appropriated funds and that \$160,000 is expected under the "Check for Wildlife" fund this year. Thirty-five thousand dollars of that fund was appropriated to land acquisition last year and approximately \$60,000 will be appropriated to land acquisition this year. A budget will be prepared for distribution at the next meeting.

## Natural Areas Committee

Dr. Batson reported that the Natural Areas Committee had met and discussed a number of projects. Dr. Rayner described the Savannah River Bluffs and Horse Creek Natural Area. The board passed a motion to accept these two areas as approved protection projects. John Nelson showed slides on three bays which have been determined to be the best examples found thus far in the survey. Approximately 80% of the bays surveyed have been disturbed. Swansea, Rookery, and Cathedral bays were approved as protection projects. Stuart Greeter reported that registration agreements for the Mayo Creek Colombo Site and the Congaree Bottomlands have been signed. The board voted to recommend approval of those registrations by the Wildlife Commission. Joe Watson reported that a registration agreement for Huntington Beach State Park could be developed for consideration at the next meeting.

Bruce Rippeteau suggested that a procedure be developed for reviewing proposed protection projects prior to HTAB approval for historic or archeological sites. The membership generally agreed with that idea.



## Cultural Areas Committee

Christie Fant apprised the membership that at the last meeting a motion was passed to accept National Register Sites as a part of the Statewide inventory referred to in the Heritage Trust Act. The Cultural Areas Committee is now assessing how historic sites can be protected under the HTP. Christie read a letter to Dr. Lee from a Myrtle Beach gentlemen regarding protection of a house. The board passed a motion stating that the Cultural Areas Committee will formulate procedures for developing protection projects for HTAB approval and will use the Wilcox House in ~~Myrtle Beach~~ as an example.

*Myrtle Beach Inlet*

## Protection Projects Update

LaBruce Alexander reported that 40 Acre Rock in the Flat Creek Natural Area had been purchased by TNC and that TNC would soon be receiving 950 acres in the Tillman sand ridge area. Stuart Greeter reported that a State appropriation of \$323,000 had been made to purchase the Ashmore property and that an appraisal had been completed on three properties in the Shealy's Pond area.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting for the HTAB was scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, November 28 and 29 at the James Webb Center in Hampton County.

The meeting was adjourned.