# MINUTES HERITAGE TRUST ADVISORY BOARD SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NAURAL RESOURCES LEWIS OCEAN BAY HERITAGE PRESERVE HORRY COUNTY FEBRUARY 7, 2013

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Campbell Coxe (Chair) Henry Fair (Vice Chair) Sonny King Julia Krebs Eric Emerson Breck Carmichael (for Alvin Taylor) Ken Rentiers

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Julie Holling Kathy Boyle Sam Chappelear Deanna Ruth

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Jake Rasor Randy Lowe Beth Grace Phil Gaines (for Duane Parrish) James Hill (for Bobby Hitt) Dave Cicimurri (for William Calloway) Tom Patton (for Gene Kodama) Jonathan Leader

## Call to Order

Campbell Coxe called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and requested they introduce themselves.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Coxe asked if there were any changes, additions or deletions to the minutes from the November 1, 2012 meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board (HTAB). *Dr. King made a motion that the Board approve the minutes of the November 1, 2012, meeting, as submitted. Mr. Fair seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.* 

### **Updates & Comments**

Ken Rentiers, deputy director for DNR's Land and Water Division, reported that the last few months have been positive, and hopes the trend continues. With the current budget situation, some small acquisitions should be possible in the near future especially additions to current properties. Mr. Rentiers stated he would like for the top 100 property list to be reviewed. He also commended the Heritage Trust staff for all their hard work, especially Julie Holling for taking on some additional duties.

Mr. Rentiers reported that Heritage Trust is meeting all the bond obligations and the bond debt runs through 2021. He also talked about property management and the potential need for additional field staff to properly manage what we have in the program, especially if more properties are acquired.

Mr. Rentiers told the Board members about some recent vandalism that has occurred at Peachtree Rock Heritage Preserve. Someone has cut into the base of the rock in an attempt to topple it. He stated that this instance and other vandalism issues continue at many of the preserves and is something that is a constant battle.

### **Executive Session**

At this time, Dr. King made a motion that the Board hold an Executive Session to discuss contractual and legal matters. Mr. Fair seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

## **Return to Regular Session**

Dr. King made a motion that the Board return to regular session. Mr. Fair seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. King made a motion that the Heritage Trust Advisory Board expend up to \$180,000 of Heritage Trust funds to acquire approximately 88 acres of land adjoining the Dungannon Plantation Heritage Preserve in Charleston County. Mr. Fair seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Krebs made a motion to evaluate the proposed purchase of two tracts in Greenville County adjacent to Chandler Heritage Preserve. Mr. Fair seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Heritage Trust Advisory Board will be held Thursday, May 2, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. The location will be determined at a later date. The remaining dates for 2013 are: August 1 and November 7.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, *Dr. Krebs made a motion to adjourn the meeting*, *Dr. King seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned*.

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