

**Minutes from the Herndon Historical Society Board-of-Directors
Meeting
Thursday 18 August 2016**

Five members of the Herndon Historical Society (HHS) Board of Directors met Thursday, 18 August 2016 (Richard Downer did not attend). The BOD graciously thanked Scott and Melissa for sharing their home for the Annual HHS Membership Picnic. The HHS BOD thanked Barbara Glakas for her diligent work cleaning out the Depot closet and organizing the file cabinet.

HHS will be sponsoring Scott & Melissa's home for the Herndon 2016 Holiday Homes Tour. Melissa requested approval for the Herndon 2016 Holiday Homes Tour Committee to hold a meeting at the Depot, 13 September 2016. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss ideas and issues with the participating home owners. The BOD approved the request.

Scott has not received any further information from Google Maps that they were in Herndon 23 Jun-16 July gathering data/photographing places to be used on Google Maps - Street View. This request appears to be OBE.

The Treasurers Report as of 08/16/2016: The balance in the checking account/saving account was \$3,564.18

Since some members of the Next Stop Theater Company are in their quarters at the Depot during the week they get questions from the public about HHS, but they do not have any information. There was a brief discussion about creating a grip or rack card with HHS information which could be handed out. In the meantime, HHS plans to use the existing supply of postcards with information printed on the postcards for hand out information.

Richard is continuing to work with Margaret O'Reilly (attorney) to update HHS Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation and other legal documents to comply with the IRS rules and regulations for a 501(3c) non-profit organization. Updated Articles of Incorporation have been submitted to the Virginia SCC for approval. During this effort it was necessary for HHS to terminate/transfer its holdings in Community Foundation for

Northern Virginia fund. This was done via a “pass thru” to Arts Herndon Inc.

The first phase of HHS Communication Plan has been completed. It was agreed to hold a separate work session to complete the plan on Monday, 3 October 2016.

It was decided there is a need for an HHS logo. It was agreed to request assistance from the local artists community to develop a logo. Charlie will write the request/requirements. The goal is to have the logo selected prior to the 2016 Holiday Homes Tour, 3 December 2016. Some of the proposed promotion ideas that were mentioned were license plate frames, brochures, post cards, tee shirts with the HHS logo.

Current plans are to hold quarterly T-Trak model train shows at the Depot. The next show will be the regularly scheduled two day Model Train Show, 10-11 December 2016 at the Herndon Municipal Center and the Depot and then the next one when the Depot re-opens in March 2017. HHS BOD will work with T-Trak Model Train group to determine dates for June and September 2017. Richard Downer will take the lead on coordinating these activities with the T-Trak Model Train group.

The speaker for the 28 September HHS Meeting will be a docent from the George Marshall House in Leesburg. Charlie has spoken with Barbara Glakas about giving a presentation on the resources and tools she uses (photographs, newspaper articles, Herndon landmarks, etc) to prepare the history articles for the Herndon Patch. Tentatively, this would be for the 25 January 2017 HHS meeting.

Announcement: *Forgotten Fairfax: A History of the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad*. Former W&OD trail manger, Paul McCray talks about the history of the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad, why it went defunct, the forgotten strike of 1916, and visible remnants. Free, City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St, Fairfax, on Saturday, 3 September 11 am-1 pm. To register, visit the link: <http://tinyurl.com/zje7bb3>.

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