Smithfield 2020 Notes from project team meeting of January 4, 2012

Present:

Bill Davidson Sheila Gwaltney Mark Hall Russell Parrish Connie Rhodes Peter Stephenson Judy Winslow

Admin / updates

Mark Hall proposed the appointment of Bill Davidson to replace Rick Bodson as Smithfield 2020 project manager for the 2012 term. Motion approved.

Committee Chairs were re-appointed.

- Organization: Bill Davidson
- Design: John Edwards
- Promotion: Judy Winslow
- Economic Redevelopment: Mark Hall

Trey Gwaltney was re-appointed as Member-at-Large

Mark Hall proposed Wayne L. Duncan III "Lee" to fill the Member-at-Large position vacated by Bill Davidson. Motion passed.

Judy Winslow recommended that we continue membership in the Virginia Downtown Development Association. The matter was discussed and will be brought forward to the February meeting.

Judy Winslow and John Edwards will approach the board of Historic Smithfield with a request of an operating budget for Smithfield 2020 for 2012. The amount of \$1000 was mentioned and an update will be made next month.

Judy Winslow will have a meeting of the committee involved in the Grand Re-Opening of Smithfield. The status of that meeting will be discussed next month.

Connie Rhodes suggested that we have a 2020 project team "brain-storming" session to discuss plans for 2012 direction. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday January 10th from 5:30 pm until 7:00 pm. The meeting place is TBD. Connie will contact team members with details.

Project updates

Judy Winslow reported that the pigs have been ordered and we received a check from Smithfield Foods for total payment.

Sheila Gwaltney indicated that art designs would be chosen soon.

Mark Hall reported that the owner of 17 E. Main Street (shoe shop) has indicated that she is interested in working to stabilize the building with plans to rent it out. Robert Cox has cleared out the interior. Lee Duncan is working with the owner and suggesting contractors, etc.

Mark Hall distributed the properties-available page to members present and indicated this is also on the Smithfield 2020 web site.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 1, 2012 @ 8:30 am, Arts Center @ 319 classroom

These meeting notes submitted by Bill Davidson.