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HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

May 18, 1970

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

(Note: First paragraph not part of minutes, included for record only.)

The Annual Meeting of the Historic Bath Commission was held on May 17-18 1970. For the eleven o'clock services, a sizeable group of members and friends gathered at St. Thomas Church, the oldest church in the State still in use, to attend the regular service conducted by the Reverend Robert South. At an appropriate time, Mr. South turned the service over to the Reverend A. C. D. Noe, long-time rector of St. Thomas. A special ceremony was held to honor Mr. Sam Jones of Norfolk for his untiring support and generous contributions to the Glebe House, the only house of its kind ever erected in the Province of Carolina. Through the munificence of Mr. Jones, many priceless antiques and other interesting historical objects have been added to this home, whose furnishing was begun by its first occupant, Parson Alexander Stewart in 1763. Mr. Jones, who was accompanied by his family, was presented a plaque and a letter of appreciation from the Right Reverend Thomas Wright, Bishop of Eastern North Carolina. Following the church services, the guests were shown through the Glebe House and served a delicious luncheon through the courtesy of Mrs. Noe, ably assisted by the members of St. Thomas Historic Commission and other ladies who were communicants of St. Thomas Church. Although these functions were in no way related to the meeting of the Historic Bath Commission, they served as a worthy and happy prelude to it and the secretary felt that they should be recorded as a part of these minutes.

Festivities of the Historic Bath Commission began promptly at six o'clock at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Harding, "Sunnyside", where Mr. and Mrs. John W. Labouisse were hosts for a delightful reception which was followed by a sumptuous supper given by the residents of "Sunnyside." After supper, an informal, pre-meeting was called by Chairman Harding at which:

- a. he announced the appointment of Mrs. G. D. Elliott, of Bath, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Colonel C. Wingate Reed. He welcomed Mrs. Elliott to the Commission and directed that a letter of appreciation be sent to Colonel Reed. The letter is appended as Enclosure (1).
- b. Mrs. William Studdert moved, and it was adopted, that a plaque be placed upon a door of the Palmer-Marsh House in honor of the invaluable leadership shown by the late Dr. Christopher Crittenden and that a copy of these expressions be spread upon the minutes of this Commission and sent to his family. This is appended as Enclosure (2).

The formal meeting of the Commission was called at nine fifty, Monday morning, May 18, 1970, at the temporary visitors' center, Bath, the Chairman having been involved with an appearance before the camera of WNCT-TV outside in the yard of the Palmer-Marsh House. The Reverend Mr. Noe offered a prayer. The roll was called and present were: Captain Henry C. Bridgers, Secretary, Mr. W. Harold Butt, Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Mr. Milo L. Gibbs, Treasurer, Mrs. Thorne Gregory, Mr. Edmund H. Harding, Chairman, Mr. Grayson H. Harding, Mrs. John W. Labouisse, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Mrs. W. P. Mayo, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Vice-Chairman, the Reverend A. C. D. Noe, Dr. Herbert Paschal, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. William Rumley, Jr., Mr. Wayland J. Sermons, Mrs. W. W. Studdert and Mrs. C. E. Venters. Of the ex-officio members present were: the Honorable Ray Brooks, Mayor of Bath, and Dr. H. G. Jones, Director of the Department of Archives and History.

The minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved as written. The Treasurer's report, which showed a balance on hand of \$ 8,625.36 as of April first, was presented, accepted and is appended as Enclosure (3).

The Chairman urged Mrs. Mayo to activate her committee (Mesdames Noe, Roberson and Venters) for the production of a cookbook seeking assistance from the Gift Shop: Committee if desired (Mesdames J. A. Tankard, Gregory, Marsh, Studdert and Rachel Tankard) in order to add to the items for sale in the visitors' center. Mrs. Tankard, Superintendent of the Historical Site, submitted her report, appended as Enclosure (4), which showed a balance on hand of creditable proportion with no debts and an attendance figure for Historic Bath for the year 1969 of 14,869 and 4,081 so far this year. The Chairman commended her upon this outstanding record and expressed his appreciation to the able and attractive hostesses: Mesdames Erma Tankard, Margaret Midyette, Sally Brooks, Mary Bowen and Mrs. Scott.

Mr. Harding introduced our new member, Mrs. G. D. Elliott, and welcomed her. He thanked Mrs. Labouisse for last evening's reception, and introduced Mrs. Joye Jordan, Supervisor of Historic Sites, who reported on the VANDIVIER house as follows:

State authority to accept this house has been granted the Department and the deed to the house is in hand. Before it is moved, a little more research on departmental level is desirable, final exact site selection should await the completion of the new Visitors' Center, an exploratory "dig" should be conducted at the site before the house is placed thereon. In spite of a probable rise in moving costs, the overall figure of relocating and exterior restoration of this house should be possible within the \$ 9,460.00 figure presented last August, details of which are contained in Enclosure (2) to the minutes of Special Meeting of the Executive Committee, August 24, 1969.

Ancillary discussion followed Mrs. Jordan's presentation, the gist of which was:

- a. funds must be raised to do anything to the interior of the Vandivier house, since available funds will cover only removal, exterior restoration and perhaps interior stabilization.
- b. a possible functional use might be made of this building by Texas Gulf Sulphur as a local office
- c. the Beaufort County Historical Society still has the deed to the "old Theatre site" which it acquired for \$1,500.00
- d. all Bath projects are badly in need of advertising, which brought on the

following:

- (1) we should try to regenerate the Coastal Historyland Trail concept and gain recognition through this organization
- (2) Mrs. Gregory was requested to contact Mr. Edwin Gill regarding possible space in the displays in the State Legislature
- (3) Dr. Jones was requested to appoint a departmental member to serve as a counterpart to a member of the Commission to be appointed
- (4) Mrs. Studdert offered to explore the possibility of obtaining publicity in one of the oil company tour books.

The Chairman called on Dr. Jones and asked that he introduce the members of his staff who were: Mrs. Jordan, Mr. Pisney, Colonel Fred F. Harbin, USMC(Ret.) the newly appointed assistant director for administration, and Mr. Sawyer who, we are glad to say, brought his charming wife with him this time.

Dr. Jones asked Mrs. Jordan to report the Departmental findings regarding the generous offer of Mr. Dan M. Paul to donate his family home in Pantego to the Bath project. The gist of her report was: Although the Department was sorely tempted to accept this valuable offer, it could not do so. Cost to move this large home intact would be prohibitive. To move and restore only the unaltered part would appear to be unwise and wasteful and finally, with a wistful expression, this lovely home best belongs in its present delightful setting.

A motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Paschal, and unanimously approved that, reluctantly, the magnificent offer of Mr. Paul be declined with the sincere thanks of both the Commission and the Department.

Dr. Jones then reported on the following items of interest:

- a. The Department of Interior has designated the Palmer-Marsh House a National Historical Landmark, making it one of the thirteen properties in North Carolina so designated (one of the four designated in the State this year).
- b. in reply to the Chairman's remarks about our missing the boat by not doing something about an Indian village or Teach's connection with Bath, Dr. Jones pointed out that public funds cannot be expended on replica projects, being reserved for the preservation and restoration of authentic structures (Tryon Palace and Williamsburg were done with private funds).
- c. the new Visitors' Center is rapidly nearing completion and is expected to be placed in use in early July. It will be used for a short time before any formal dedication is held. These ceremonies, which will be entirely conducted by the Department, are expected in the fall. As to its design, he reminded the members that (1) it is a functional building, not intended as a restoration or a replica and (2) that it was necessarily modified to get it within the appropriated funds available, lastly that it is a fait accompli.

On a motion by Mrs. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Butt, it was approved that the next annual meeting be held in April, exact date to be determined and announced.

In regard to "Blackbeard", Indians, and publicity, Dr. Paschal offered the following:

- a. it would be almost impossible to "prove out" an Indian village location though it is almost agreed that Secotan was in this vicinity. In all probability the site would be found under the Bonner House.
- b. capitalizing on the past activities of Teach appeared to be the best course to pursue inasmuch as much factual information could be extracted in support of his presence in this immediate vicinity
- c. given time, money and some one employed exclusively in this operation, adequate publicity for all Bath projects could be achieved, but it would take time and money.

His remarks opened up much discussion. Mrs. Gregory suggested trying to get an article in Southern Living Mr. Sermons suggested distribution of Bath pamphlets through the N. C. Welcome Centers. The Raleigh contingent was asked to see what could be done. The Secretary suggested that perhaps the Weyerhaeuser Company could be persuaded to establish a "Blackbeard Attraction" in conjunction with a "forestry window" to attract the public, as so many of the large companies in the Pacific Northwest have done with similar famous natives.

Mr. Noe said that he was not against pirates and Indians but that he did feel that the emphasis should be on the cultural and religious aspects of the past. He invited every one to visit the Glebe House and see the results of Mr. Sam Jones' gifts to that institution. He also said that donations to the St. Thomas Restoration would be most acceptable, pointing out that his project had ^{no} and indeed could not accept, State funds to help keep the Glebe House open and that the church was doing quite well.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn, it was made, seconded and approved. The entire attendance was then shown through the new Visitors' Center by Mr. Sawyer and then all went to inspect the most attractively furnished Glebe House.

All members of the Commission and their accompanying spouses were delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William Midyette for lunch at their lovely home, Kirby Grange, originally the home of Sir Christopher Gale, first Chief Justice of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

H.C. Bridgers
Henry C. Bridgers, Jr.
Secretary

Enclosure: (1) Letter of appreciation to Colonel Reed
(2) Motion of Remembrance of Dr. Christopher Crittenden
(3) Treasurer's Report
(4) Gift Shop Report

Distribution: Chairman - 1
Vice Chairman - 1
Department - 4
Site Superintendent - 1
File - 3

May 22, 1970

Colonel C. Wingate Reed,
Washington, N. C.

Dear Colonel Reed:

It is with the deepest regret that I have accepted your resignation from the Historic Bath Commission and all the members felt a keen sense of loss when this action was announced at the annual meeting.

Your association with the Commission has been long and your contributions have been numerous. From its small and humble beginnings, you have been able to share with us the pleasure of seeing Historic Bath grow from truly a dream in our eyes into a fully established and flourishing State Historic Site. Only through the contribution of members such as you would this have been possible.

Each member has participated in these efforts in many ways, both recognized and unsung. Perhaps your greatest contribution was your ever alert awareness of that which was historically correct, and your insistence that all our efforts be channeled along these lines. This often placed you in a seeming position of reluctance, but now that the whole has been achieved, we can all give you our heartfelt thanks for keeping us on the track.

While your efforts in behalf of Bath have been invaluable, they are overshadowed completely by your truly outstanding contribution to this State's history, your book - Beaufort County-Two Centuries of Its History. Your association with Bath may pass with us, but you will always be remembered for this book.

All of the members of the Commission join with me in expressing their regret that you find it necessary to leave us and we will wish you the greatest happiness in whatever venture you undertake next.

Sincerely,

Encl (1)

MOTION OF REMEMBRANCE

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Historic Bath Commission held on May 14, 1970, the members brought to the attention of the entire Commission the untimely death of the Honorable Doctor Christopher Crittenden whose death occurred since the meeting of the Commission held in the Spring of 1969. The following remarks and motions were made:

Mr. Chairman:

To bring to this Historic Bath Commission formal resolutions on the death of Dr. Christopher Crittenden seems too artificial a manner to express the deep sorrow felt by every member of this Commission upon the death of Dr. Crittenden since our last meeting in the Spring of 1969.

As head of the North Carolina State Department of Archives and History he showed to this Commission his deep interest and concern in our every plan by his faithful attendance of our meetings and by his great help in all our projects.

We are fortunate indeed to have had this loyal, intelligent man to guide us in our endeavors to preserve Historical Bath.

We wish his family to know in what great esteem we held him and how great was our affection for him.

Mr. Chairman, I, Margaret Bragaw Studdert, a member of the Historic Bath Commission, do move that these remarks be adopted as a Motion of the Commission and spread upon the regularly kept official Minutes of the meetings of the Commission, and that a copy thereof be furnished to the family of Dr. Crittenden.

The Motion was unanimously adopted by all of the members of the Commission arising for a minute of silent meditation and prayer in the memory of Dr. Crittenden.

Encl(2)

TREASURER'S REPORT
 HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
 APRIL 1, 1969 - APRIL 1, 1970

Balance on Hand April 1, 1969:		
Checking Account	\$ 4,195.52	
*Savings Account	5,000.00	
*Portrait Account - Savings	300.00	
*Cook Book Account - Savings	<u>250.00</u>	
Total Balance on Hand April 1, 1969		\$ 9,745.52
Receipts for Reporting Period:		
Donation - Mrs. Mary H. Stearns	\$ 50.00	
Donation for Dogwoods - Mrs. Margaret B. Studdert	<u>100.00</u>	
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>150.00</u>
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period		\$ 9,895.52
Disbursements for Reporting Period:		
Check No. 80 Vernon Barnes Nursery	\$ 235.45	
81 G. B. Stowa Nursery	160.85	
82 Gift Account - Fishermans Cabin	16.13	
83 Kenneth Allen Moore - Labor	10.00	
84 Willis G. Moore, Sr. - Labor	160.00	
85 Swindell Cash Store	33.89	
86 Moss Planing Mill	126.56	
87 Edmund H. Harding - option	50.00	
88 Edmund H. Harding - Holiday Inn	21.00	
89 General Welding & Machine Co.	374.36	
90 State Dept. of Archives and History	8.23	
91 Donald Carrow	25.00	
92 The Carolinian Hotel	23.69	
93 National Trust for Historic Preservation	<u>25.00</u>	
Total Disbursements for Reporting Period		<u>1,270.16</u>
Balance April 1, 1970		\$ 8,625.36

*Plus Accrued Interest

Milo L. Gibbs

Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
 Gift Account Report
 May 18, 1970

Gift account bank balance	\$3,560.32
Cash on hand	10.00

Inventory of stock:

Two Centuries of Bo. Co. History, By Col. Reed	19 copies @ \$4.00	76.00
History of Colonial Bath, By Dr. Paschall	1540 copies	
Blackbeard Booklet, By Dr. Allen	60 copies @ .60	36.00
Colonial Bath Book, Kenneth Marsh	50 copies @ 2.62	131.00
Old Towne Coloring Book, By Col. Reed	3801 copies @ .10	380.00
Stationery	36 Boxes @ .50	18.00
Postal Cards	49000 @ .02	980.00
A Gift for Penelope, By Lucy Cobb	100	
Plates <i>(No mvaics)</i>	30 doz. @	
Queen Anne's Bell	11 copies	
Total		\$1,621.10

Visitor's for 1969	14,869
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Visitor's so far this year	4,081
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Completion date of Visitor Center July 6, 1970

October 16, 1970

Minutes of SPECIAL Meeting, Historic Bath Commission

On a call from the Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, a special meeting was held in Washington, N. C. at 8 pm. Present were:

Mrs. Morrison, Milo L. Gibbs, Treasurer, Henry C. Bridgers, Secretary, Mrs. Joye E. Jordan, Historic Sites Administrator, Mrs. Dorothy M. Tankard, Manager, Historic Bath Site, Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mrs. William Rumley, Sr., Mrs. William W. Studdert, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. William Rumley, Jr., Rev. A. C. D. Noe, Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr. and Mrs. G. W. Marsh.

The Secretary was directed to prepare an accurate list of the members of the Commission. List is appended as Encl.(1).

The Chairman stated that the first order of business was the consideration of a suitable memorial for the late Edmund H. Harding. On a motion by Mrs. William Rumley, Sr., seconded by Mrs. Roberson, it was approved that the Van Der Veer house be moved, restored and furnished as a memorial to Mr. Harding. Lengthy discussion of this matter followed, the gist of which was:

- (1) Mrs. Jordan reported that the house had been inspected, that it was definitely worth preservation, that records reveal the proper spelling of the name was Van Der Veer, that the State could not provide any funds for this project but would assist in any way possible, that the latest estimate (Guy Wilson) was \$20,000 to relocate this house and put it into condition to be furnished.
- (2) It was reaffirmed that the Commission had a moral obligation to move this house without undue delay.
- (3) The Treasurer advised that not more than \$8,000 Commission funds were available for such an undertaking.
- (4) Mrs. Jordan reemphasized that the State could only accept this house after it had been moved, placed on foundations and made ready for turning over to the department for maintenance and operation. She advised that from Mr. Wilson's estimate the following figures applied: wing demolition-\$400, moving \$3,000, foundation-\$1,500.
- (5) Mrs. William Rumley, Jr. suggested that Mr. Stancil Lilly be approached regarding moving the house. Mrs. Tankard pointed out the undesirability of moving it to State property without at least exterior restoration. Dr. Paschal offered his assistance with applying for foundation grants.

The Chairman requested that the Secretary, with the assistance of such local people as he might desire, prepare a Resolution of Remembrance of Edmund H. Harding and that a copy of said resolution be spread upon these minutes and sent to his family. This resolution is appended as Encl. (2).

After considerable discussion regarding the election of a Chairman, Mrs. Morrison was persuaded to continue to act until she could appoint a committee to nominate a new chairman and to obtain approval of this nomination by mail ballot, this procedure having been approved by motions duly made and seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm. October 16, 1970.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. Bridgers
Secretary.

Note: Any one detecting an error in this list is requested to advise the Secretary, Box 429, Tarboro, N. C. 27886.

Ex-Officio

Hon. Ray Brooks
Mayor of Bath
Bath, N. C. 27808

Hon. Alvin Cayton
Chm. Beaufort Cty Bd. Com.
Washington, N. C. 27889

Dr. H. G. Jones, Director
Dept. of Archives & History
Box 1881, Raleigh, N. C. 27602

Appointed by The Governor

Mrs. Robert G. Hayes (Mariam Cannon) 52 Spring St. NW Concord, N. C. 28205

Mrs. G. W. Marsh (Vonnice Satchwell) Box 97 Main St. Bath, N. C. 27808

Mrs. William Rumley, Jr. (Julia Stewart) 621 W. Main St. Washington, N. C. 27889

Hon. Wayland^{J.}_A Sermons Honey Pod Farm, Washington, N. C. 27889

Mrs. William W. Studdert (Margaret Bragaw) Apt. 5 Kings Arms 1833 Banking St.
Greensboro, N. C. 27408

Mrs. Archie Burrus (Lina Oden) Manteo, N. C. 27954

Mrs. Philip P. Godwin (Anita Freeman) Gatesville, N. C. 27938

Mrs. Thorne Gregory (Hester Elizabeth Lockett) 2318 Beechridge Rd. Raleigh, N. C.
27608

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. (Frances Morgan) 313 College Ave. Washington Park, N. C. 27889

Mr. William Harold Butt Box 323 5 Formosa Rd. Wappoo Hts. Charleston, S. C. 29407

Mr. D. Russell Clark 601 St. Andrew St. Tarboro, N. C. 27886

Mr. Grayson Harding Sycamore Plantation Edenton, N. C. 27932

Mrs. John W. Labouisse (Sally Cameron) Fairntosh Farm Durham, N. C. 27702

Mrs. Fred W. Morrison (Emma Neal) 4965 Glenbrook Rd NW Washington, D. C. 20016

Vice-Chairman

Mr. Milo Gibbs 1210 Respass St. Washington, N. C. 27889

Treasurer

Dr. Herbert R. Paschal Chm, Dept. of History East Carolina Univ. Greenville, N. C.
27834

Mr. Daniel Murray Paul 859 Stoval Blvd. NE Atlanta, Ga. 30305

Mrs. William Rumley (Mary Williams Venters) Bath, N. C. 27808

Miss Elizabeth Thompson 1001 Cowper Dr. Raleigh, N. C. 27608

Capt. Henry C. Bridgers, Jr. Box 429 Tarboro, N. C. 27886

Secretary

Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr. (Hilma Cordon) Bath, N. C. 27808

Mrs. William P. Mayo (Anna Ball Arthur) Riverside Washington, N. C. 27889

Rev. Alexander C. D. Noe Bath, N. C. 27808

Mrs. Walter Stearns (Mary Haywood Fowle) Haywood Hall 211 Newbern Ave. Raleigh, N. C.
27601

MOTION OF REMEMBRANCE

The loss of Edmund H. Harding is keenly felt throughout the State, indeed the Nation, but his absence will be especially poignant to those of us who were privileged to serve under him as Chairman of the Historic Bath Commission, a position which he alone has so ably held since its creation over eleven years ago. In this capacity, and as past president of both the Beaufort County Historical Society and the North Carolina Society for the Preservation of Antiquities, this public-spirited man made inestimable contributions to the preservation of our heritage. Though he was imbued with a knowledge and love of the past, he lived life to the fullest, savoring the present and looking forward expectantly to the future. This devout churchman and natural musician was nationally famous for his humor, challenging his audiences to think as he made them laugh; but to those of us who knew him best, he will always be remembered as one who gave unstintingly of himself for the betterment of all mankind. Because of all of this and our love, respect and admiration for the "old Hoss of the Pamlico" - as he preferred to be known - the following resolution has been unanimously adopted by this Commission:

Whereas Edmund H. Harding, by his inspiring leadership, imagination, vision and enthusiasm, has almost single-handedly created Historic Bath as it stands today and

Whereas he had great dreams for its future, which time alone did not permit him to carry out, and

Whereas we want his family and future generations to know of the high esteem in which we held him. Now therefore:

Be it resolved, that we, the members of the Historic Bath Commission, hereby pledge our continued efforts toward the fulfillment of his dreams. And,

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Commission and that a copy thereof be sent to the members of his family.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Briggs Jr. Sec'y
For the Historic Bath Commission

ENCLOSURE

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Session Laws of North Carolina 1959, 1961, 1965

Capt. H. C. Bridgers, Chm. & Sec.

Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, V-Chm.

Mr. Milo L. Gibbs, Treasurer

Monday, April 26, 1971

Minutes of Annual Meeting

Sunday evening the members of the commission were entertained by the William P. Mayos for cocktails and buffet supper at their lovely home in Riverside. After supper, the chairman made a brief report of what had happened in Bath since the last meeting.

The annual meeting was called at ten o'clock in the new visitor center in Bath. The Reverend A. C. D. Noe gave the invocation.

Members present were: Chairman Henry C. Bridgers, Mrs. Julian M. Davenport who acted as secretary, Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr., Mrs. John T. Griffin, Mrs. John W. Labouisse, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, James B. McMullan, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Rev. A. C. D. Noe, Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Mrs. William Rumley, Mrs. W. W. Studdert, Hon. Ray Brooks, Dr. H. G. Jones, Hon. Jack E. Swindell.

Others present were: Miss Mary B. Cornick, Mrs. Henry C. Bridgers, Mrs. James McMullan, Mrs. William Rumley, Jr., Mrs. Taylor Attmore, Mrs. John A. Tankard, Mrs. Joye E. Jordan, and Senator Ashley Futtrell.

The Chairman expressed regret for the loss of former members Chairman Edmund Harding and Mr. Grayson Harding and for the loss of a good friend of Bath, Mr. Charles Cannon.

He also expressed the commission's appreciation for the loyal service of former members the Hon. Wayland Sermons, Mrs. William Rumley, Jr. and Mrs. Phillip P. Godwin and advised that he had written them asking that they continue to feel that they were still a part of the commission.

The chair expressed gratitude to Mesdames Labouisse, Morrison and Stearns Messers. Butt and Paul and the Rev. A. C. D. Noe, all members of the original commission, for their continued interest and great past accomplishments.

New members Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. J. T. Griffin, Mr. Sam Jones, Mr. James B. McMullan and the Hon. Jack E. Swindell were welcomed to the commission.

Minutes of the last annual meeting and the special meeting of October 16, 1970

MEMBERS

Capt. Henry C. Bridgers Tarboro, N. C.	Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr. Bath, N. C.	Mrs. Robert G. Hayes Concord, N. C.	James B. McMullan Washington, N. C.	Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. Washington, N. C.
Mrs. Archie Burrus Manteo, N. C.	Milo L. Gibbs Washington, N. C.	Samuel G. Jones Norfolk, Va.	Mrs. Fred W. Morrison Washington, D. C.	Mrs. William Rumley Bath, N. C.
W. Harold Butt Charleston, S. C.	Mrs. Thorne Gregory Raleigh, N. C.	Mrs. John W. Labouisse Durham, N. C.	Rev. A. C. D. Noe Bath, N. C.	Mrs. Walter Stearns Raleigh, N. C.
D. Russell Clark Tarboro, N. C.	Mrs. John T. Griffin Williamston, N. C.	Mrs. G. W. Marsh Bath, N. C.	Dr. Herbert R. Paschal Greenville, N. C.	Mrs. W. W. Studdert Greensboro, N. C.
Mrs. Julian M. Davenport Washington, N. C.	Grayson H. Harding Edenton, N. C.	Mrs. W. P. Mayo Washington, N. C.	Daniel M. Paul Atlanta, Ga.	Miss Elizabeth Thompson Raleigh, N. C.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Hon. Ray Brooks
Mayor of Bath

Dr. H. G. Jones
Dept. Archives and History

Hon. Jack E. Swindell
Chm. Beaufort County Commissioners

were sent to all members and they were approved as distributed.

The chairman introduced Dr. H. G. Jones who made a brief, inspiring and informative talk. The gist of his remarks was: he was pleased with the progress in Bath, that after the restoration of the Van Der Veer house we should concentrate on what we have rather than to acquire additional properties, he urged the citizens of Bath to join in improving the overall appearance of the town and the historic site, he made some good suggestions regarding publicity which will be pursued and expressed the hope that soon it might be possible to remove the fees for visiting the houses.

Mr. Milo Gibbs, Treasurer, was ill and unable to attend. The chairman summarized his report which is attached as Appendix 1.

Mrs. John A. Tankard, Site Manager, was complimented on her continuing outstanding performance and submitted her report which is appended as Appendix 2 of the original minutes. This appendix will not be distributed to members.

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, chairman of the fund drive to raise funds for the restoration of the Van Der Veer house as a memorial to Edmund H. Harding, reported on plans and progress of the drive. Over \$3,000 has been raised and some 4000 letters have been sent out. She is being assisted in this effort by Mr. Frank Ruble, Col. Wingate Reed, Mr. Sam Tarleton, Mr. Harry Gatton, Mrs. Julian Fenner, Mrs. Jack Swindell, Dr. Paschal and Mrs. Studdert, Mr. Robert L. Stallings, Jr. and Mr. Bryan Haislip.

The chairman stressed the need for members to assist Mrs. Roberson. Mrs. Labouisse suggested assigning geographic areas for the purpose of publicizing and soliciting funds. Mrs. Studdert suggested reinstating a former pledge by commission members. Mrs. Morrison reported that the Washington, D. C. Bath Committee had been reactivated and suggested the reactivation of others like this.

Elected as officers were: Henry C. Bridgers, Chairman
Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Vice-Chairman
James B. McMullan, Secretary
Milo L. Gibbs, Treasurer.

The chairman appointed the following committees:

Executive: To act for the full commission on all matters.

Chairman - - - - - ex-officio
Vice-chairman - - - ex-officio
Secretary - - - - - ex-officio
Treasurer - - - - - ex-officio
Mrs. W. P. Mayo
Mr. James McMullan
Dr. Herbert Paschal
Mrs. W. R. Roberson

Finance: To raise funds and to advise on their expenditure.

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Chairman
Mr. Milo Gibbs, ex-officio
Mr. Harold Butt
Mr. D. Russell Clark
Mrs. Robert Hayes
Mr. Sam Jones
Dr. Herbert Paschal
Mr. Dan Paul

Acquisitions: To acquire furnishings, to approve displays and to supervise the interior aspects of historic properties.

Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Chairman
Mrs. W. P. Mayo *
Mrs. Thorne Gregory
Mrs. Robert Hayes
Mrs. John Labouisse
Mr. Dan Paul
Mrs. William Rumley
Mrs. Walter Stearns

Buildings and Grounds: To supervise all exterior aspects of historic properties.

Mrs. John Labouisse, Chairman
Mrs. G. W. Marsh *
Hon. Ray Brooks
Mrs. Archie Burrus
Mrs. Julian Davenport
Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr.
Mr. Sam Jones
Miss Elizabeth Thompson

Public Relations: To publicize and promote Bath and advise on problems affecting its success.

Dr. Herbert Paschal, Chairman

Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr. *

Mrs. Thorne Gregory

Mrs. J. F. Griffin

Rev. A. C. D. Noe

Mr. Dan Paul

Mrs. W. W. Studdert

Hon. Jack E. Swindell

* designates "local" Vice-chairman of the committee to whom the Chairman of the Commission will look for action as required and to serve as liaison between him, the committee chairman and other members of the committee.

By-Laws: To determine the need for by-laws for the commission and, if found to be required, draw up a set.

Mr. James McMillan, Chairman

Mr. Milo Gibbs

Mrs. Fred W. Morrison

Hon. Jack E. Swindell

Dr. H. G. Jones, ex-officio

The chairman spoke briefly about his reasoning behind these appointments and he made it clear to the commission members that this was not to be a one man show, that he expected each of them to be effective and reminded them of the oath they took when accepting the Governor's appointment, to wit, "to well and truly execute the duties of my office as a member of the Historic Bath Commission according to the best of my skill and ability."

It being the consensus of the commission that a set of By-Laws was needed, the By-Laws committee was requested to act. Mrs. Jordan offered to send Mr. McMillan some examples of those of other similar commissions.

Certain expenditures directed by the chairman and reflected in the Treasurer's Report were approved as were his actions in initially opposing the request for a pier in Bath Creek by Bath Marine Ltd. and requesting that the donated heirlooms and artifacts be removed from the old visitor center to a safer place until they can be displayed properly.

There was considerable discussion about several aspects of the Van Der Veer house. It was felt that the style and period were suitable for the name. It was approved that the efforts of the commission currently be limited to exterior restoration, interior stabilization and that no attempt be made to furnish this house as a house museum. A definitive use would await further consideration.

The next annual meeting will be held in Bath on April 23 and 24, 1972.

The chairman asked that members send him suggestions as to possible members for the existing vacancy and any that may be forthcoming in case he should have the opportunity to make suggestions to the Governor's office.

When new stationery is required, it was approved that a cut of the Palmer Marsh house chimney be used in the letterhead and that the address of members be omitted at the foot of the page. A rubber stamp with the Palmer Marsh chimney and the slogan Visit Historic Bath was approved.

It was approved that the practice of sending the minutes to all members be continued. Mrs. Griffin offered assistance in this effort.

The chairman brought up several items of unfinished business which he had extracted from earlier minutes and action was taken as indicated:

- a. provision of some means of displaying donated heirlooms and artifacts which are now stored for safekeeping - Action Acquisitions and Archives.
 - b. use or eliminate the old visitor center - Action Building & Grounds and Archives
 - c. planting of memorial trees for which funds were donated and which are apparently not earmarked and with which it seems no trees have been planted, awaiting the completion of the visitor center - Action Buildings & Grounds and Archives.
 - d. the cookbook fund will be eliminated and the earmarked funds be transferred to the Memorial Fund.
 - e. formal garden for Palmer Marsh house-Action Building & Grounds and Archives
 - f. getting the publicity Bath needs and its due-Action Public Relations
 - g. obtaining the Buzzard Hotel - all members with Public Relations Lead
 - h. suggest to Beaufort County Historical Society the sale of the "old theatre lot" and the donation of proceeds to Memorial Fund-Action chairman
- The meeting adjourned at 12:30 and every one enjoyed the delicious lunch prepared and served by the Ladies of Circle No. 4 Bath Christian Church in the fine new building of the Ruritan Club who very generously permitted us to enjoy its facilities.

A final word from the chairman:

The success of the Historic Bath Commission depends upon the interest and effort of ALL members. It is not a one man show. It is not the duty of a few. It is the moral responsibility of each and every one of you.

Don't forget the Harding Memorial. Don't miss any opportunity to get a donation.

Harding Memorial
Historic Bath Commission
Box 99
Bath, N. C. 27808

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION GIFT ACCOUNT REPORT

April 26, 1971

Submitted by Dorothy M. Tankard, Historic Bath Site Manager
 State Historic Site
 Department of Archives and History
 Box 1881
 Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid by cash

Lance Inc., New Bern Coca Cola Bottling Company, Roberson Beverage Co., and L. C. Perry Pepsi Cola Co., (for drinks, cookies and candy)	\$195.61
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Paid by check

Sears, Roebuck Co (refrigerator for hostess lounge)	\$405.87
Col. Reed., Bo. Co. Two Centuries of It's History, 100 copies	300.00
Dr. Glenn Allen, Blackbeard's Booklet	120.00
Southeastern Mfg. Co. (flags, soldiers, necklaces and bracelets)	268.35
Cannon's Stationery	37.17
Department of Revenue, Sales Tax	32.59
Total	<u>\$1,163.98</u>

Cash taken in	1,269.10
Bank balance	3,598.38
Cash on hand	15.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

APRIL 1, 1970 - APRIL 1, 1971

Balance on Hand April 1, 1970:			
Checking account	\$3,075.36		
Savings Account	5,000.00		
Portrait account - Savings	300.00		
Cook Book account - Savings	<u>250.00</u>		
Total Balance on Hand April 1, 1970		\$8,625.36	
Receipts for Reporting Period:			
Over subscription to Dedication Luncheon, 10/16/70	\$ 27.70		
Interest from Savings Accounts	<u>1,053.82</u>		
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>1,081.52</u>	
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period			\$9,706.88
Disbursements for Reporting Period:			
Check No. 94 National Trust for Historic Preservation	\$ 25.00		
95 Capt. H.C.Bridgers, Secretary	14.52 *	* clerical	
96 Mrs. W.R.Roberson, Jr. Chairman	200.00	# VDV	
97 Capt. H.C.Bridgers	100.00 *		
98 Moore's Super Stores Inc	6.14 #		
99 F. Guy Wilson & Associates	1,080.00 #		
100 J. S. Lilley & Sons, Inc.	4,250.00 #		
101 H.C. Bridgers	30.90 *		
102 Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co	138.00 #		
Portrait Savings account transferred to Foundation Grant Fund	<u>300.00</u>		
Total Disbursements for Reporting Period			<u>6,144.56</u>
Balance April 1, 1971			<u>3,562.32</u>
Accounts as Follows:			
Checking Account	312.32		
Savings Account	3,000.00		
Cook Book Account-Savings	<u>250.00</u>		
Total			\$3,562.32


Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

APPENDIX 1

Historic Bath State Historic Site
Operations Report
May 18, 1970-April 25, 1971

A tea was given at the Bonner House, June 9, 1970, for the Wonderful Washington Festival in cooperation with the Washington Chamber of Commerce.

Jenifer Brinson from Belhaven, a P.A.C.E. program student, worked at Historic Bath through the summer months.

Ray S. Brooks joined the Historic Bath staff as a general utility employee July 1, 1970. Mrs. Cecilia Swain joined the staff as a temporary employee in August of 1970. She replaced Mrs. Mary Bowen.

The Advisory Budget Commission visited Historic Bath July 7, 1970. Dr. H. G. Jones joined the group. They toured the Palmer-Marsh House, St. Thomas Church, and the visitor center. Cold drinks and cookies were served to commission members by the hostesses.

Historic Bath site in compliance with overall site policy for uniform hours now opens to the public at 9 A.M. and closes at 5 P.M. Tuesday through Saturday and 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. on Sunday. The office is open during regular state office hours.

The final inspection of the visitor center was held July 23, 1970, and the visitor center was dedicated October 17, 1970. A subscription luncheon was held at the Holiday Inn in Washington. (Program attached.)

A twenty-seven minute film, "A Town Called Bath," is shown at the visitor center as an introduction to the tour of the homes. (Credits attached.)

As a member of the Board of the North Carolina Museums Council the historic site manager attended the following meetings: Beaufort, July 31, 1970; Greensboro, December 2, 1970; and Rocky Mount, March 19, 1971. She also attended Culture Week activities in Greensboro the first week in December.

Mr. Guy Wilson drew the plans of the Van Der Veer House prior to its' removal to Historic Bath property. The FFA Boys of Bath High School removed the wings, a late addition to the house, in cooperation with site staff. Mr. Granville Lilley moved the building. Employees of the City of Washington and Carolina Telephone Company were on hand to raise or lower cables as needed. The foundation was poured, and new stringers and sills were installed.

Photographs were made of the sub-structure and exterior elevations of the Van Der Veer House on its original foundation. An archaeology probe was conducted on the site to which the house was moved, but it revealed no archaeological features. The work was supervised by Mr. Stuart Schwartz, staff archaeologist.

The moving of the house required several meetings with Mrs. Joye Jordan, Mr. A. L. Honeycutt, Captain Henry Bridgers, Dr. Herbert Paschall, Mr. Guy Wilson, Mr. Stancil Lilley, and Mr. Granville Lilley.

The picnic tables adjacent to the Bonner House and the pier at Harding's Landing have been repaired.

The State Highway Commission, through the kind offices of Mr. Arthur Tripp, highway commissioner, has appropriated \$4,500 for a parking lot for the visitor center. Hopefully the work will begin immediately. Mr. Haislip has staked off the area and the entrance will be off Highway 92.

This year we have had school groups from Stokes, Belhaven, Washington, Ayden, Fountain, Aurora, Plymouth, and Bath.

Our visitation last year was 14,569. Our visitation this year so far is 2,940 with the busy season just beginning.

Gift Account Report (enclosed).

DEDICATION OF THE VISITOR CENTER
HISTORIC BATH STATE HISTORIC SITE
BATH, NORTH CAROLINA

Saturday, October 17, 1970
11:00 A.M.

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- 10:30 A.M. Concert 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing Band
- 11:00 A.M. Dedication ceremonies, Presiding Dr. H. G. Jones
Director, Department of Archives and History
- Invocation Rev. William Haney
Bath Christian Church, Bath
- *Presentation of the Colors
"Old North State" Adult Choir, First Baptist Church,
and Washington, Mr. John B. Thompson,
"Star Spangled Banner" Director, accompanied by Band
- *Pledge to the Flag Troop No. 258, Boy Scouts of America,
Mr. Jesse Buck, Leader; Junior
Troop No. 70, Girl Scouts of America,
Mrs. Rachel Tankard, Leader
- Greetings and Introduction
of Special Guests Mrs. Fred W. Morrison
- Introduction of Speaker Honorable Ashley B. Futrell
Senator-elect, Second District
- Dedicatory Address The Honorable Robert W. Scott
Governor of North Carolina
- Presentation of Keys Mr. Raymond Sawyer
Architect for the Site
- Acceptance of Keys Mrs. Joye E. Jordan,
Historic Sites and Museums Administrator
and Mrs. Dorothy M. Tankard, *Manager,*
Historic Bath State Historic Site
- Presentation of Certificate
designating Palmer-Marsh House
a National Historic Landmark Mr. J. Leonard Volz
Director, Southeast Region, National Park Service
- Acceptance of Certificate Governor Scott
- *Dedicatory Prayer and Benediction Rev. A. C. D. Noe
Rector Emeritus, St. Thomas Episcopal Church
- *"Carolina" Choir and Band
- * Audience Standing

THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

Presents

THE TOWN CALLED BATH

A film introduction to Historic Bath

written and directed by Larry Misenheimer
cinematography and technical direction by Landis Bennett
narrated by William Hoke
sound by Audiofonics; Larry Gardner, engineer

Appearing in the film
(in order of appearance)

Billy Moore
Bobby Johnson
James Ivey
Jack Rose
Natalie Talyor
Erma Tankard
Richard Sawyer
John Ellington
Dennis Walters
Ron Holland
John Powell
Libby Beard
Sam Townsend
Linda Stevenson
Patricia Moore
Anne Fitzgibbon
John Harmon
Eugene Brown
Gehrig Spencer
Leslie Bright
John Tankard
Sally Brooks
Robert Royall
Billy Toler
Harold Cox
William Hoke

Voices

Gardine Bliss
Robert Brickell
Margaret Burns
Harry Callihan
John Harmon
Eric Hurley
Hugh Overturf
Charles Parker

Production Staff for Archives and History

Charles Clark
John Ellington
Madlin Futrell
Robert Grissett
Patricia Hurdle
Keith Strawn
Dorothy Tankard
Betty Tyson
Jim Vogt

Special Thanks To:

Joe Brooks
Charles Johnson
Joye E. Jordan
Eutch Lacey
W. B. Midyette
John Miller
Kenneth Moore
Willie Moore
Herbert Paschal
Raymond F. Pisney
Jack Swindell
James Turnage

Vestry of St. Thomas Episcopal Church
The Town of Bath
The Institute of Government, UNC-CH

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Remarks by the Chairman:

I appreciate the high honor of being your chairman, but I must warn you that you have selected a boy to fill a man's shoes. My predecessor was able, fearless, resourceful and prominent. He ran a one man show. He could *and be entertaining*

If we are to continue his good work, I will need all the genuine cooperation and assistance you can give me. This commission must either function as a commission, or it will not function at all. Its up to you - each of you.

You are entitled to a report on my activities. I can truthfully say that I have been busy. I hope that I have been gainfully employed in your behalf. My first task was to educate myself, to begin to qualify for this task. All the records that I could come by have been read and briefed into a book which stays with me - the Bath Book - which contains an amazing amount of info on our favorite subject. Dr. Paschal's book and his help have enabled me to prepare a chornology and capsule history of Bath which have been used for press releases and several television appearances. ~~It was interesting to write~~

Mostly I have been heckling Dot Tankard and harrassing the Department of Archives and History. Both she and they have been most tolerant and helpful.

The VDV house has been successfully moved. Mr. J. Stancil Lilly and his sons did an outstanding job and it was one of the most pleasant relationships I have ever had. Not only were they qualified, they were the kind of people one can deal with on word of honor basis. Architect Guy Wilson has been engaged to follow up on his preliminary work. The site on which the house sits was examined for artifacts but none were found. Photos were taken and a map showing its former and current sites was made. It now sits forlornly, waiting on us to restore it. PICTURE ROD SAWYER.

SIGNS MOVED TO VC, NEW BROCHURES. (483 for 4800)

Dr. Paschal has been nominated as regional representative to the National Trust and I hope he is names as he would be outstanding. It is interesting to note in passing that his excellent history of Bath is selling for 4 times our price in Chapel Hill - as is Queen Anne's Bell.

The Palmer Marsh house has been designated a National Historic Landmark, one of thirteen such in N. C. Of course, I take no credit for thid nor for Mr. Sam Jones' library which is coming along so well in the St. Thomas comples. BANNER NAT'L REG.

Our new movie - A Town Called Bath - is being well received and it has an outstanding cast.

I fought valiantly to protect Harding Landing from a threat by Bath Marine Ltd. who plan to put a 20 slip sailboat marina at the foot of the bridge. In this I was ably assisted by the Honorable Ray Brooks - I am sure we created some sort of record - an ex-Naval aviator being surveyor with a mayor as chain man.

I ran for cover when the Dig 'n Delve Garden Club of Greenville sent us a \$10.00 check to "purchase dired flowers to replace the inappropriate artificial flowers." Thank goodness I had some ladies' skirts to hide behind.

While I am chairman, my goal will be to do the best I can for Historic Bath, always trying to consider the desires and needs of present day Bath, and all in harmony with our friends and neighbors of St. Thomas Parish.

Get a good night's sleep for we have a long, important meeting tomorrow.

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSIONGovernor's Appointees

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Mr. W. Harold Butt Box 323, Charleston, S. C. 29402		(72)
Mr. D. Russell Clark 601 St. Andrew St. Tarboro, N. C. 27886	H-823 2484 O-823 2101	(72)
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Miss Elizabeth Thompson (73)
 1001 Cowper Dr. Raleigh, N. C. 27608

Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp (Anice Harding) (76)
 Rte. 9 Greenville, N. C. 27834

Box 375

Ex-officio

Hon. Ray S. Brooks, Mayor Town of Bath, N. C. 27808 H-WA3 3412	Hon. Jack E. Swindell, Chmn. Beaufort Cty Commissioners Box 70, Bath, N. C. 27808 H-WA3 3016 O-WA3 3211	Dr. H. G. Jones, Director Dept. Archives & History Box 1881 Raleigh, NC 27602 O-829 7862 ext. 7305
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Site Manager, Bath State Historic Site

Mrs. John A. Tankard
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TREASURER'S REPORT

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

APRIL 1, 1971 - APRIL 1, 1972

Balance on Hand April 1, 1971:

Checking Account	\$ 312.32	
Savings Account	3,000.00	
Cook Book Account - Savings	<u>250.00</u>	
Total Balance on Hand April 1, 1971		\$3,562.32

Receipts for Reporting Period:

Return of Check From		
Mrs. Frances M. Roberson	\$ 200.00	
Interest on Savings Account		
From 1-1-71 to 1-1-72	<u>150.01</u>	
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>350.01</u>
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period		\$3,912.33

Disbursements for Reporting Period:

Check No. 103 Mrs. Lexa E. Lupton	\$ 144.00	
Memorial Fund Expenses		
104 National Trust for		
Historic Preservation	25.00	
105 N.C. Television, Inc.		
Stamps-Mem. Fund Expenses	217.26	
106 Mrs. Norman Winslow		
Dried Flower Arrangement	10.00	
107 Mrs. Lexa E. Lupton		
Memorial Fund Expenses	7.83	
Cook Book Account Transferred to		
Foundation Grant Fund	<u>250.00</u>	
Total Disbursements for Reporting Period		<u>654.09</u>
Balance on Hand April 1, 1972		3,258.24

Accounts as Follows:

Checking Account	258.24	
Savings Account	<u>3,000.00</u>	
Total		\$3,258.24

Edmund H. Harding Memorial Fund:

Gifts & Donations	\$16,258.38	
Interest Earned (less tax of \$7.34)	593.15	
Richardson Foundation Grant	<u>7,500.00</u>	
Total in Savings Account April 1, 1972		\$24,351.53

Milo L. Gibbs

Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTIONS
UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION

Opening and Maintaining A Checking Account

Historic Bath Commission

Name of Association

I, the undersigned, hereby certify to North Carolina National Bank, Washington, North Carolina, that I am the _____ Secretary of Historic Bath Commission, an unincorporated association located at Bath, North Carolina; that the following is a true copy of resolutions duly adopted by the Commission

(Members—Executive Committee—Board of Directors—Trustees)

of said association at a meeting duly held on the 30th day of April, 19 73, at which a quorum was present; and acted throughout; and that such resolutions are in full force and effect and have not been amended or rescinded:

1. RESOLVED, that North Carolina National Bank, Washington, N. C. is hereby designed as a depository of this association and that a checking account be opened and maintained in the name of this association with said Bank; that any one of the following officers or employees of this association:

Henry C. Bridgers, Jr., Chairman

Milo L. Gibbs, Treasurer

is/are hereby authorized, on behalf of this association, and in its name; to sign checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money from said account; to endorse checks, notes, bills, certificates of deposit, or other instruments, owned or held by this association, for deposit in said account, or for collection or discount by said Bank; to accept drafts, acceptances, and other instruments payable at said Bank; to waive presentment, demand, protest, and notice of protest, or dishonor of any check, note, bill, draft, or other instrument made, drawn, or endorsed by this association; and,

2. FURTHER RESOLVED, that North Carolina National Bank be and it hereby is authorized to honor, receive, certify, or pay all instruments signed in accordance with the foregoing resolution even though drawn or endorsed to the order of any officer or employee signing the same or tendered by him for cashing, or in payment of the individual obligation of such officer or employee, or for deposit to his personal account, and said Bank shall not be required or be under any obligation to inquire as to the circumstances of the issuance or use of any instrument signed in accordance with the foregoing resolution, or the application or disposition of such instrument or the proceeds thereof; and,

3. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of this association shall certify to said Bank the names of the persons who are at present authorized to act on behalf of this association under the foregoing resolutions and shall from time to time hereafter, as changes in the personnel of said officers and employees are made, immediately certify such changes to said Bank, and said Bank shall be fully protected in relying on such certifications of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary and shall be indemnified and saved harmless from any claims, demands, expenses, loss, or damage resulting from, or growing out of, honoring the signature of any officer or employee so certified, or refusing to honor any signature not so certified; and,

(OVER)

4. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolutions shall remain in full force and effect until written notice of their amendment or rescission shall have been received by said Bank, and that receipt of such notice shall not affect any action taken by said Bank prior thereto; and,

5. FURTHER RESOLVED, that all transactions by any of the officers or employees of this association on its behalf, and in its name, with North Carolina National Bank prior to the delivery to said Bank of a certified copy of the foregoing resolutions are, in all respects, hereby ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted; and,

6. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary or Assistant Secretary be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to certify these resolutions to North Carolina National Bank and that the provisions thereof are in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of this association.

I further certify that the Commission
Members—Executive Committee—Board of Directors—Trustees)
is the body of Historic Bath Commission authorized to adopt such resolutions.
(Name of Association)

I further certify that the following are the names of the present officers of this association:

NAME	TITLE
Henry C. Bridgers, Jr.	Chairman
James B. McMullan	Secretary
Milo L. Gibbs	Treasurer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, this 30th day of April
1973.

Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT THE STATE VISITORS CENTER IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON APRIL 30, 1973

Chairman Henry C. Bridgers called the meeting to order at 10:00 o'clock, a. m. Those in attendance were Henry C. Bridgers, Willis E. Cobb, Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. G. D. Elliott, Jr., Mrs. Thorne Gregory, Mrs. John T. Griffin, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Mrs. W. P. Mayo, James B. McMullan, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Herbert R. Paschal, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. William Rumley, Mrs. W. W. Studdert, Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp, and Ray Brooks.

The Chairman gave an invocation, welcomed the members and the state representatives to the meeting, and the following proceedings were had:

Upon motion, unanimously passed, the reading of the last year's minutes was dispensed with, inasmuch as copies had been previously distributed to the members.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary read the Treasurer's Report, which had been prepared by the Treasurer in advance. Upon motion, unanimously passed, the Treasurer's Report was approved and ordered made a part of these minutes.

On account of Treasurer Milo Gibbs being away on business for several weeks, the Chairman asked for the passage of a resolution authorizing him to sign checks, in addition to Mr. Gibbs. Upon motion, unanimously passed, the attached formal banking resolution was adopted and ordered made a part of these minutes.

The Chairman announced that his expense account had been exhausted, and upon motion, unanimously passed, it was resolved that an additional \$50.00 be paid to the Chairman to cover out-of-pocket expenses.

Upon motion, unanimously passed, officers were elected for the coming year as follows:

Chairman	-	Henry C. Bridgers
Vice Chairman	-	Mrs. Fred W. Morrison
Secretary	-	James B. McMullan
Treasurer	-	Milo L. Gibbs

The Chairman announced the following appointments to the Executive Committee: Mrs. W. P. Mayo, Willis E. Cobb, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr.

The Chairman announced the following appointments to the Nominating Committee: Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. W. W. Studdert, and Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp.

Mrs. Fred W. Morrison gave the report of the Acquisitions Committee, and upon Mrs. Morrison's recommendation the Commission accepted, with thanks, a lap desk, which had been donated by Mrs. Phelps.

Mrs. Dot Tankard gave a report on activities at Historic Bath during the preceding year, and her report, including a report as to the Gift Account, is hereto attached. Mrs. Tankard pointed out that the \$1,000.00 which had previously been authorized for pamphlets for the Visitors Center had not been spent, but that a need might arise for these funds in the coming year. Upon motion, unanimously passed, the Commission authorized the expenditure of not to exceed \$1,000.00 for pamphlets for the Visitors Center if adequate funds were not available from the State.

The Chair brought to the attention of the meeting the old theater lot in the Town of Bath. After much discussion, it was determined to ask Mrs. Joy Jordan to

determine if the State would accept title to this lot, and thereafter maintain the lot for future State needs. It was agreed that if the State would accept the lot, the Historic Bath Commission would attempt to have the Beaufort County Historical Society deed the lot to the State of North Carolina, inasmuch as the lot had been bought with Historic Bath Commission funds, and its disposition should rightfully be subject to direction from Historic Bath Commission.

Upon motion, unanimously passed, the next annual meeting was set for 10:00 a. m. on April 22, 1974, to be held at the Visitors Center in the Town of Bath. Mr. Willis E. Cobb invited the members to a dinner party on the evening of April 21, 1974, with the time and place to be announced later. The meeting unanimously determined to accept Mr. Cobb's kind invitation.

The Chairman advised the membership that State funds had not been adequate during the past year to pay adequate salaries for temporary hostesses. The Chairman advised that he had taken the liberty of authorizing the expenditure from the Gift Account of \$1,377.60 for these temporary salaries, and he expressed the hope that the membership would approve his action. Upon motion, unanimously passed, the membership of the Commission approved the Chairman's act; and, in addition, approved the expenditure of up to \$1500.00 during the ensuing year for emergency temporary salaries for hostesses, in the discretion of the Chairman.

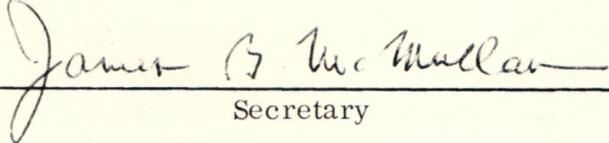
The Chairman pointed out that, although the National Park Service grant in connection with the restoration of Van Der Veer house was very definitely expected, it had not yet been received, and could not be received except for reimbursement purposes; that \$10,353.87 had already been spent on the restoration, and that additional funds would be required before the grant was actually received. Upon

motion, unanimously passed, the membership authorized the Chairman to spend \$20,000.00 additional, or a total of \$30,353.87 toward the restoration of the Van Der Veer house, and to call a halt at this point unless funds from NPS were received.

The Chairman pointed out to the meeting the need for raising an additional \$5,000.00 to be used in the restoration of the Van Der Veer house. The Chairman reported contributions of \$1362.63 toward the needed \$5,000.00. After discussion, it was generally agreed that each member of the Commission should promptly donate or raise as much money as possible and forward this to the Chairman.

The Chairman requested that members send him suggested names for membership to fill the impending vacancies if the Governor asked him for suggestions.

Upon motion, unanimously passed, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

APRIL 1, 1972 - APRIL 1, 1973

Balance on Hand April 1, 1972:			
Checking Account	\$ 258.24		
Savings Account	<u>3,000.00</u>		
Total Balance on Hand April 1, 1972		\$ 3,258.24	
Receipts for Reporting Period:			
Savings Account Interest for 1972	137.07		
Transfer From Memorial Fund	<u>3,535.00</u>		
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>3,672.07</u>	
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts For Period			\$ 6,930.31
Disbursements for Reporting Period:			
Check No. 108 J. B. McMullan (Expense of Secretary)	50.00		
109 Henry C. Bridgers (Expense of Chairman)	50.00		
110 Edgecombe Historical Society (Donation)	100.00		
111 National Trust For Historic Preservation (Donation)	25.00		
112 F. Guy Wilson Associates (Fees)	<u>3,535.00</u>		
Total Disbursements For Reporting Period			<u>3,760.00</u>
Balance on Hand April 1, 1973			3,170.31
Accounts as Follows:			
Checking Account	170.31		
Savings Account	<u>3,000.00</u>		
Total			3,170.31
Edmund H. Harding Memorial Fund:			
Balance on Hand April 1, 1972		24,351.53	
Receipts for Reporting Period:			
Gifts & Donations for Reporting Period	200.62		
Interest Earned for Reporting Period	<u>1,024.24</u>		
Total Receipts for Period		<u>1,224.86</u>	
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Reporting Period			25,576.39
Disbursements for Period (F. Guy Wilson Assoc.)			<u>3,535.00</u>
Balance on Hand April 1, 1973			\$ 22,041.39

Milo L. Gibbs

Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

Gift Account and Operations Report
for Historic Bath Commission Meeting
April 30, 1973

Gift Account Report

Cash Taken In	\$2,107.98	
Paid by Cash		\$ 252.74
Paid by Check		<u>2,176.26</u>
Total Disbursements		\$2,429.00

Disbursements

Temporary Salaries for Hostesses	\$1,377.60
NEMC	43.40
Historic Commission Hostesses Luncheon	13.50
Bath Volunteer Fire Department	100.00
Merchandise to Sell	<u>894.50</u>
Total	\$2,429.00

Bank Balance \$4,075.94

No outstanding bills

Operations Report

Special Guests and Events

1. Staff Members, Department of Education and Interpretation, Old Salem, March 28, 1973
2. Sir Walter Cabinet, March 27, 1973
3. Mr. Ron G. Scronce, National Research Center of the Arts, Inc., New York, November 11, 1972
4. Mrs. Tee L. Snell, Special Publication Division, National Geographic Society, Washington, D.C., U.S.A., November 9 and 10, 1972, to feature Historic Bath in a book to be published about 1974
5. Mrs. Fred Morrison visited October 30, 1972
6. Community Leaders Cumberland County, June 27, 1972
7. Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers USA, June 26, 1972
8. Ruritan National, Greenville-Goldsboro District Convention, November 18, 1972
9. We have had church, garden clubs, school and college groups all during the year
10. We have had visitors from many places: Germany, Japan, England, Denmark, Scotland, to mention a few
11. Captain Bridgers and Mrs. Frances Roberson have been frequent visitors
12. Senior Citizens have toured and had meetings at the Historic Bath visitor center

Work at the Site

1. The beam over the mantel in the Council Room of the Palmer-Marsh House has been replaced, one-half of the plastering replaced, the mantel repaired, the room and woodwork painted and the curtains cleaned.
2. The exterior of the Palmer-Marsh and Bonner houses, the Bonner House kitchen, Palmer-Marsh and Bonner House wells, the Palmer-Marsh Smokehouse, and Necessary exterior and interior have been painted.

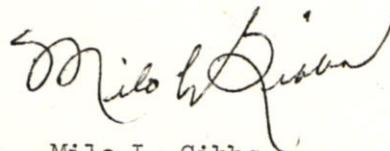
3. Restoration of the Van Der Veer House in underway.
4. The old Visitor Center has been repaired and painted.
5. General maintenance which consists of keeping all buildings clean, pruning limbs from the old trees, hauling trash, mowing lawns, raking leaves, taking care of the shrubs and plants requires fulltime attention of the staff.

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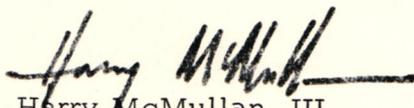
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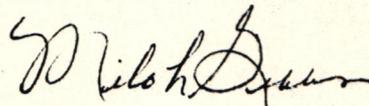
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Total Disbursements for Reporting Period			<u>11,926.04</u>
Balance on Hand November 18, 1974			\$ 16,695.00
Distribution of Balances:			
Checking Account		\$ 289.49	
Savings Account		3,127.44	
Harding Memorial Fund Account (Savings)		<u>13,278.07</u>	
Total of Accounts			\$ 16,695.00



Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
FINAL TREASURER'S REPORT
NOVEMBER 18, 1974 - DECEMBER 4, 1974

Balance on Hand November 18, 1974		\$ 16,695.00
Receipts for Reporting Period:		
Savings Account Interest Since Last Report	\$ 12.85	
Interest on Harding Memorial Fund Since Last Report	<u>54.53</u>	
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>67.38</u>
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period		\$ 16,762.38
Transfer to Harry McMullan, Jr., Treasurer By Check No. 127 Dated 12-4-74		\$ 16,762.38


Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
TREASURER'S REPORT
DECEMBER 4, 1974 - APRIL 1, 1975

Balance on Hand December 4, 1974		\$16,762.38	
Receipts for Reporting Period:			
Savings Account Interest 11/18/74 to 4/1/75	\$ 203.77		
Donations	<u>215.95</u>		
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>419.72</u>	
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period			\$17,182.10
Disbursements for Reporting Period:			
Check No. 101 R. Frank Woolard	2,456.45		
102 Henry Bridgers	100.00		
103 R. Frank Woolard	1,403.93		
104 Pritchard Paint and Glass	<u>395.20</u>		
Total Disbursements for Reporting Period			<u>4,355.58</u>
Balance on Hand April 1, 1975			\$12,826.52



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PEARSON CHRISMON, Assistant Cashier

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION CHECKING ACCOUNT

Deposits

Nov. 19, 1974	\$ 24.57
Dec. 10, 1974	2681.88
Jan. 7, 1975	8.68
Jan. 8, 1975	130.00
Jan. 14, 1975	1365.25
Jan. 14, 1975	52.70
Apr. 2, 1975	11642.30

Total of Deposits \$15,905.38

Checks

#101	12/4/74	R. Frank Woolard	\$2456.45		
102	12/5/74	Henry Bridgers	100.00		
103	1/6/75	R. Frank Woolard	1403.93		
104	3/ /75	Pritchard Paint & Glass	395.20		
Debit	4/23/75	To savings acct.	11300.00		
				Less	
				Checks	15,655.58

Balance as of 4/23/75 \$ 249.80



MINUTES OF MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT THE STATE VISITORS CENTER
IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON NOVEMBER 18, 1974

Chairman Henry C. Bridgers called the meeting to order at 11:00 o'clock, a. m. Secretary James McMullan called the roll, and the following persons were in attendance.

Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson
Capt. Henry C. Bridgers
Mrs. Julian M. Davenport
Mr. Robert C. deRossett, Jr.
Mrs. Ophelia Dixon
Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr.
Mrs. William P. Mayo

Mr. Harry McMullan III
Mr. James B. McMullan
Mrs. Fred W. Morrison
Dr. Herbert R. Paschal
Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr.
Mrs. William W. Studdert
Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp
Hon. Ray S. Brooks, Mayor

The Chairman gave the invocation, welcomed the members and State representatives to the meeting, and the following proceedings were had:

The Chairman introduced and welcomed the following persons from the Department of Cultural Resources: Dr. Larry Tise, Bruce McDougal, Dick Sawyer, Al Honeycutt, and Rick Masseno.

At the request of the chairman, the Secretary read the action portions of the minutes of the last meeting.

The chairman pointed out to the meeting that Historic Bath Commission was now operating under a new charter, Chapter 496 of the N. C. Session Laws of 1973. The chairman noted that the authority of the Historic Bath Commission remained substantially unchanged, except that the Commission now had authority to hold title to property.

The chairman noted, with deep regret, that our Treasurer, Milo L. Gibbs, had not been reappointed by the Governor to the Commission. Mr. Gibbs did not attend this meeting; however, he did submit a written Treasurer's Report,

which is appended to and made a part of these minutes.

The chairman noted the need for the election of a new treasurer. Upon motion by Dr. Paschal, seconded by Mrs. Mayo, and unanimously passed, Harry McMullan III was elected as our new Treasurer.

Upon motion by Wilton W. Smith, Jr., seconded by Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, it was resolved that Treasurer McMullan keep funds of Historic Bath Commission in such bank as was convenient to him, and that checks be written on such account by either the chairman or the treasurer.

By unanimous action, it was resolved that the Treasurer disburse \$100.00 to the chairman to reimburse him for out-of-pocket expenses. At this point, the chairman recognized Mrs. John Tankard, Site Manager for Historic Bath. Mrs. Tankard gave an informative report on her activities during the prior year. Mrs. Tankard informed the meeting that visitors numbered 21,140 to date, with about seven more weeks in the year. Attendance for the full previous year had been 22,592. Mrs. Tankard reported that there was \$5,000.00 in the Gift Account, on savings, and the regular checking account amounted to \$815.63.

The Chairman named a number of new committees, and these committees are set forth upon an exhibit attached to these minutes.

The Chairman called for discussion on the time and place for the next annual meeting. It was pointed out that Mr. and Mrs. Willis E. Cobb had mentioned that they would like to entertain the next meeting in some way. By unanimous action, the chairman was requested to be in touch with Mr. and Mrs. Cobb and to work out a date and other details for the next annual meeting.

Mrs. William W. Studdert was recognized by the Chairman, and Mrs. Studdert displayed an antique watch, locket, and several letters which had been presented to the Commission by Mr. Alfred J. Ellington, of Walnut Cove, N. C.

Mrs. Morrison suggested to the meeting that an auxiliary to the Commission be established, to be known as "Friends of Bath." The Chairman welcomed the suggestion, and asked that Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. W. P. Mayo, and Mrs. Morrison meet with him concerning this proposed auxiliary.

The Chairman introduced Mr. Guy Wilson, architect, and Mr. Frank Woolard, builder. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Woolard gave a report on work that they had been doing on the Van Der Veer house. Appreciation was expressed to both of these gentlemen by the chairman.

The Chairman gave financial details concerning the Van Der Veer House as follows:

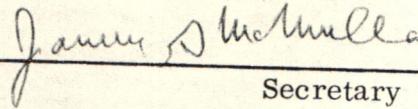
To date \$37,112.39 have been spent. This represents:

Moving and initial incidentals -----	\$ 4,394.14
Architect's fees -----	4,615.00
Shingles -----	1,920.00
Contractor's payments through No. 10-----	26,183.25

The National Park Service has agreed to match \$22,500.00 of our expenditures and to date they have provided \$3,826.37, leaving a balance "due" of \$17,673.63. This figure added to the balance remaining in the Harding Memorial account gives us \$28,495.25 for use toward completion of this project.

By unanimous action, the Chairman was authorized to spend \$10,000.00 additional funds on the restoration of the Van Der Veer House, plus up to 90% of any funds reimbursed by National Park Service. The Chairman was authorized to sign all required contracts and to go forward with the restoration. It was decided that the interior of the house should be restored to its original design. However, no decision was made as to its later use. It was decided that additional wiring be installed in order that we would be flexible in determining the final use of the house.

Upon motion and by unanimous action, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary

Historic Bath Commission
Committee Appointments

November 18, 1974

Executives: To act for the full commission on all matters.

Chirman - - - - - ex-officio
Vice-chairman - - - ex-officio
Secretary - - - - - ex-officio
Treasurer - - - - - ex-officio
Willis E. Cobb
Dr. Herbert Paschal
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.

Finance: To raise funds and advise on their expenditure.

Willis E. Cobb, Chairman
Mrs. Alethia Anderson
William H. Butt
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. Thorne Gregory
John A. Wilkinson
Treasurer, ex-officio

Nominating:

Mrs. Julian Davenport, Chairman

Mrs. W. R. Roberson
Mrs. William W. Studdert
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Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp

Social: To arrange for and execute social affairs connected with meetings.

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Chairman
Mrs. Alethia Anderson
Mrs. Julian Davenport
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. William P. Mayo

Acquisition: To acquire and accept furnishings and advise on the interior aspects of historic properties

Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp, Chairman
Mrs. Thorne Gregory
Mrs. John T. Griffin
Samuel G. Jones
Daniel M. Paul

Publicity: To publicize and promote Bath and advise on problems involving public relations.

Wilton W. Smith, Jr., Chairman
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.
Mrs. John T. Griffin
Dr. Herbert R. Paschal
Mrs. William W. Studdert

Buildings and Grounds: To advise on the exterior aspects of historic properties.

Mrs. William P. Mayo, Chairman
Mrs. John Labouisse
Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr.
Daniel M. Paul
Dr. W. T. Ralph

Reserve: An ad hoc committee reserved to take action on any unforeseen aspect of the Commission's business.

John A. Wilkinson, Chairman
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. William W. Studdert
Wilton W. Smith, Jr.

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TOWN OF BATH

April 28, 1975

Captain Henry C. Bridgers called the meeting to order at 11:00 o'clock, a. m. Secretary James B. McMullan called the roll, and the following persons were in attendance: Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Captain Henry C. Bridgers, Mr. William Harold Butt, Mr. Willis E. Cobb, Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. Thorne Gregory, Mrs. John T. Griffin, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr., Mrs. William P. Mayo, Mr. Harry McMullan III, Mr. James B. McMullan, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr., Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp, Hon. Ray S. Brooks, Mr. J. Stancil Lilley, Dr. Larry Tise, and Mrs. John A. Tankard.

The Chairman introduced Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, Secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources. Mrs. Rohrer spoke briefly to the meeting.

By unanimous action, the Commission dispensed with the reading of the minutes, as they had been previously distributed by mail.

Mrs. John A. Tankard, Site Manager, gave a report to the Commission. A statement relative to Mrs. Tankard's report is attached hereto.

Harry McMullan III, Treasurer, gave his report, and a statement relative thereto is attached.

The Chairman introduced our architect, Guy Wilson, and our builder, Frank Woolard. Both of these gentlemen made brief remarks concerning the Van der Veer house. Also Mrs. Tankard displayed slides showing the progress being made on the Van der Veer house.

The Chairman announced that he intended to proceed with the interior restoration of the Van der Veer house, but not to expend more than \$17,000.00 at this time. There were no objections to this, and it was the general consensus of the meeting that the Chairman should proceed.

By unanimous action, the Chairman was authorized to procure new stationery, which stationery will probably include a picture of the Palmer-Marsh house chimney.

By unanimous action, the Treasurer was authorized to pay \$25.00 for membership in the National Trust. The Chairman pointed out that we had belonged to this organization for several years.

Mrs. Julian M. Davenport gave the report of the nominating committee as follows:

Chairman	-	Captain Henry C. Bridgers
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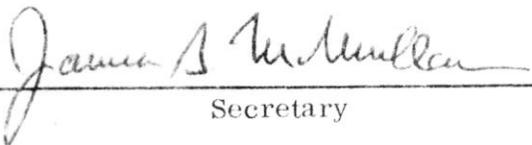
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Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr. offered to give a house built in about 1830 to the Bath Commission, with the understanding that the house be moved from its present location. This proposed gift was discussed in some detail, and due

to many problems, largely related to finance, no action was taken. Mr. Smith pointed out that it might be possible to purchase the old Buzzard Inn at this time. Dr. Herbert R. Paschal observed that in his opinion careful consideration should be given to this possible acquisition. Mr. Smith was asked to look into this further and let the Commission know any details that he could concerning the purchase of the Buzzard Inn; and if possible, to present a plan relative to financing the purchase and restoration.

At this point the meeting was by appropriate action adjourned, in order that the members might attend a luncheon at Washington Yacht and Country Club as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cobb.


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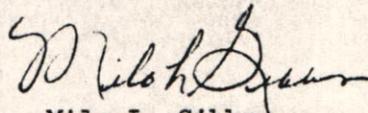
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Total Disbursements for Reporting Period		<u>11,926.04</u>
Balance on Hand November 18, 1974		\$ 16,695.00
Distribution of Balances:		
Checking Account		\$ 289.49
Savings Account		3,127.44
Harding Memorial Fund Account (Savings)		<u>13,278.07</u>
of Accounts		\$ 16,695.00

Milo L. Gibbs

Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
FINAL TREASURER'S REPORT
NOVEMBER 18, 1974 - DECEMBER 4, 1974

Balance on Hand November 18, 1974		\$ 16,695.00
Receipts for Reporting Period:		
Savings Account Interest Since Last Report	\$ 12.85	
Interest on Harding Memorial Fund Since Last Report	<u>54.53</u>	
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>67.38</u>
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period		\$ 16,762.38
Transfer to Harry McMullan, Jr., Treasurer By Check No. 127 Dated 12-4-74		\$ 16,762.38


Milo L. Gibbs
Treasurer

Historic Bath Commission
Committee Appointments

November 18, 1974

Executives: To act for the full commission on all matters.

Finance: To raise funds and advise on their expenditure.

Chirman - - - - - ex-officio
Vice-chairman - - - ex-officio
Secretary - - - - - ex-officio
Treasurer - - - - - ex-officio
Willis E. Cobb
Dr. Herbert Paschal
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.

Willis E. Cobb, Chairman
Mrs. Alethia Anderson
William H. Butt
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. Thorne Gregory
John A. Wilkinson
Treasurer, ex-officio

Nominating:
Mrs. Julian Davenport, Chairman

Social: To arrange for and execute social affairs connected with meetings.

Mrs. W. R. Roberson
Mrs. William W. Studdert
Mrs. William W. Studdert
Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp

Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Chairman
Mrs. Alethia Anderson
Mrs. Julian Davenport
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. William P. Mayo

Acquisition: To acquire and accept furnishings and advise on the interior aspects of historic properties

Publicity: To publicize and promote Bath and advise on problems involving public relations.

Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp, Chairman
Mrs. Thorne Gregory
Mrs. John T. Griffin
Samuel G. Jones
Daniel M. Paul

Wilton W. Smith, Jr., Chairman
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.
Mrs. John T. Griffin
Dr. Herbert R. Paschal
Mrs. William W. Studdert

Buildings and Grounds: To advise on the exterior aspects of historic properties.

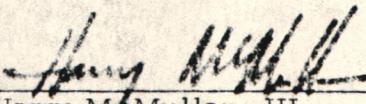
Reserve: An ad hoc committee reserved to take action on any unforeseen aspect of the Commission's business.

Mrs. William P. Mayo, Chairman
Mrs. John Labouisse
Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr.
Daniel M. Paul
Dr. W. T. Ralph

John A. Wilkinson, Chairman
Robert C. deRossett, Jr.
Mrs. Harvey Dixon, Jr.
Mrs. William W. Studdert
Wilton W. Smith, Jr.

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
TREASURER'S REPORT
DECEMBER 4, 1974 - APRIL 1, 1975

Balance on Hand December 4, 1974		\$16,762.38	
Receipts for Reporting Period:			
Savings Account Interest 11/18/74 to 4/1/75	\$ 203.77		
Donations	<u>215.95</u>		
Total Receipts for Reporting Period		<u>419.72</u>	
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts for Period			\$17,182.10
Disbursements for Reporting Period:			
Check No. 101 R. Frank Woolard	2,456.45		
102 Henry Bridgers	100.00		
103 R. Frank Woolard	1,403.93		
104 Pritchard Paint and Glass	<u>395.20</u>		
Total Disbursements for Reporting Period			<u>4,355.58</u>
Balance on Hand April 1, 1975			\$12,826.52



Harry McMullan III
Treasurer

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R. D. RAY, Vice President

PEARSON CHRISMON, Assistant Cashier

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION CHECKING ACCOUNT

Deposits

Nov. 19, 1974	\$ 24.57
Dec. 10, 1974	2681.88
Jan. 7, 1975	8.68
Jan. 8, 1975	130.00
Jan. 14, 1975	1365.25
Jan. 14, 1975	52.70
Apr. 2, 1975	11642.30

Total of Deposits \$15,905.38

Checks

#101	12/4/74	R. Frank Woolard	\$2456.45		
102	12/5/74	Henry Bridgers	100.00		
103	1/6/75	R. Frank Woolard	1403.93		
104	3/ /75	Pritchard Paint & Glass	395.20		
Debit	4/23/75	To savings acct.	11300.00	Less	
				Checks	15,655.58

Balance as of 4/23/75 \$ 249.80



Gift Account Report

Bank Balance	\$ 1,226.78
Savings Account	5,000.00
Interest	<u>252.84</u>
	\$ 5,252.84

Historic Bath

Operations Report

Since November meeting

1. The Palmer-Marsh fence has been painted.
2. The Bonner house has been washed
3. We are participating in the CETA Program Title VI
Charles Adams employed as
a Tour Conductor
4. We will participate in the Pace Program and have 2

College Students

5. We have had 8 picnic tables
given to Historic Bath to
be used at Banner's Point

Roberson Beverage Company

Edgewater Motors

Flanders Filters

Pepsi Cola Bottling Company

Seaboard Savings and Loan

D.S. Swain Gas Company

N.C. Phosphate Company

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Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson Rte. 1 Box 61-15D Bath, N. C. 27803	(79)	Mr. James B. McMullan Box 1143 Washington, N. C. 27839	(80)
Capt. Henry C. Bridgers Box 429 Tarboro, N. C. 27886	(79)	Mrs. Fred W. Morrison 4965 Glenbrook Road Washington, D. C. 20016	(77)
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Mr. Milo L. Gibbs 1210 North Respass St. Washington, N. C. 27889	(77)	Mr. Daniel M. Paul 859 Stoval Blvd. NE Atlanta, Ga. 30342	(78)
Mr. Willis E. Cobb Box 66 Pinetops, N. C. 27864	(77)	Dr. W. T. Ralph Box 13 Belhaven, N. C. 27810	(78)
Mrs. Julian M. Davenport 405 N. Market St. Washington, N. C. 27889	(76)	Mrs. W. R. Roberson 213 Alderson Road Washington, N. C. 27889	(80)
Mr. Robert C. deRossett, Jr. Box 178 Belhaven, N. C. 27810	(79)	Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr. 5705 Setter Circle Raleigh, N. C. 27609	(79)
Mrs. Ophelia Dixon 511 W. Main St. Washington, N. C. 27889	(78)	Mrs. William W. Studdert 2910 Round Hill Road Greensboro, N. C. 27403	(76)
Mr. William M. Zachman Drawer 444 Washington, N. C. 27889	(80)	Mrs. W. Arthur Tripp Rte. 9 Box 325 Greenville, N. C. 27834	(76)
Mrs. Henry VanDorp Rte. 5 Box 412 Washington, N. C. 27889	(80)	Mr. John A. Wilkinson 135 N. Market St. Box 732 Washington, N. C. 27839	(76)
Mrs. Robert Williams 903 Parkside Drive Wilson, N. C. 27893	(80)	Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, Secretary Dept. of Cultural Resources Raleigh, N. C. 27611	
Mrs. John W. Labouisse 304 Long Lane Richmond, Va. 23221	(77)	Hon. Ray S. Brooks, Mayor Town of Bath Bath, N. C. 27808	
Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr. Box 220 Bath, N. C. 27803	(76)	Mr. J. Stancil Lilley, Chairman Beaufort County Board of Commissioners Washington, N. C. 27889	
Mrs. William P. Mayo Box 635 Washington, N. C. 27839	(78)	Dr. Larry E. Tise, Director Division of Archives and History Raleigh, N. C. 27611	
Mr. Harry McMullan III Rte. 5 Box 394 Washington, N. C. 27839	(79)	Mrs. John A. Tankard, Site Mgr. Historic Bath, Box 124 Bath, N. C. 27803	

MINUTES OF MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT STATE VISITORS CENTER
IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON APRIL 26, 1976

Captain Henry C. Bridgers called the meeting to order at 10:30, a. m.

The following persons were in attendance: Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. Robert Williams, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Mr. William M. Zachman, Mr. Harry McMullan III, Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. William W. Studdert, Mr. Willis E. Cobb, Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr., Mrs. Harvey H. Dixon, Jr., Mrs. A. H. Van Dorp, Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr., Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mayor Ray S. Brooks, Mr. Milo L. Gibbs, Dr. Larry E. Tise, Captain Henry C. Bridgers, and James B. McMullan.

The Chairman called on Dr. Larry E. Tise to give the invocation.

Following the invocation the Chairman welcomed the following new members:

Mr. William M. Zachman, Mrs. Henry Van Dorp, and Mrs. Robert Williams.

The Chairman also brought to the attention of the meeting the fact that former members, Mr. Milo L. Gibbs and Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., and Mr. James B. McMullan had been reappointed to the Commission.

The Chairman stated that he was happy to have such a fine representation from the Department of Archives in History, and introduced the following:

Dr. Larry Tise, Director, Mr. Richard Sawyer, Mr. Larry Misenheimer and Mr. Ed Turberg.

The minutes of the prior meeting had been distributed to all members and the reading of the minutes was, without objection, dispensed with.

Mr. Harry McMullan III was called on to give his treasurer's report, and this report is hereto attached and made a part of these minutes.

Upon proper motion our membership in the National Trust for Historic Preservation was ordered to be renewed and the treasurer was authorized to pay dues in the amount of \$25.00.

Mrs. John Tankard, Site Manager, was called on for her report, and it is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Chairman called on Dr. Larry Tise for a report, and also upon Mr. Richard Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer presented a proposed program for the Van der Veer house. He suggested that there should be an exhibit area and a memorial to Edmund Harding. The exhibits would consist of the early tools of the Building Trade, and the upper floor in the house would be left unfinished in order that the public could view open construction work of the period in which the house was built. It was suggested that an oil painting of Edmund Harding and a biographical sketch be placed at some appropriate location in the building. Mr. Sawyer asked that someone obtain permission for State representatives to examine the old Buzzard Inn. He stated that if it was determined that the State wished to acquire the Buzzard Inn that it could possibly be leased to a private operator for a restaurant. Mr. Sawyer also suggested that the Commission consider financing a guide book for Bath.

Mrs. John Tankard reported that Carolyn Harding possibly had an oil painting of Edmund Harding that could be donated for display in the Van der Veer house. Chairman Bridgers referred this matter to the Acquisition Committee.

The suggestion of a booklet relative to the Town of Bath was referred to the Publicity Committee, with authority to expend not to exceed \$3500.00 for the booklets.

Wilton Smith stated that he believed that he could obtain permission for State representatives to examine the old Buzzard Inn, and Chairman Bridgers requested that he attempt to do this.

Chairman Bridgers brought up the much-discussed old theater lot in the Town of Bath. This lot was purchased at the suggestion of Edmund Harding in June of 1967, with \$1500.00 of the Historic Bath Commission's funds. Title was vested in Beaufort County Historical Society, since at that time the Commission was not empowered to hold title to land. (See deeds, Book 613, page 204, and Book 351, page 127, Map Book 2, page 13.) Chairman Bridgers stated that the appearance of this ill-kept lot detracts from the over-all appearance of Bath, and that because of its size is probably only valuable to an adjacent landowner. Chairman Bridgers recommended that Beaufort County Historical Society be requested to sell this lot to the highest bidder in excess of \$3000.00, and that the proceeds of the sale be divided equally between Historic Bath Commission and Beaufort County Historical Society. Upon proper motion this matter was referred to Mr. William M. Zachman, who was authorized to act concerning the matter.

Chairman Bridgers gave a general report concerning the Van der Veer house. He pointed out that at the last meeting an expenditure of \$17,000.00 had been authorized for continuing the restoration, but that for many reasons only \$4,767.00 had been spent. Chairman Bridgers stated that we would soon be

ready to proceed with the electrical and mechanical work. He stated that in spite of the architect's good efforts, approval of plans and specifications had been frustratingly slow; that in round figures the Commission had spent to date \$43,679.00 on the house; and that in his opinion we could safely spend an additional \$18,000.00. Upon motion duly made and passed, it was resolved that Chairman Bridgers proceed with expending the additional \$18,000.00, and that if any amount were required above this the matter should be referred to the Executive Committee for decision.

Chairman Bridgers pointed out the problem relative to establishing the Van der Veer house as a memorial to our former chairman, Edmund H. Harding. He stated that under North Carolina law memorials cannot be made of public property, until at least twenty-five years after the death of the individual under consideration. Chairman Bridgers suggested the wording for a proposed plaque concerning Edmund Harding, and this wording is attached as a part of these minutes. The wording suggested by Chairman Bridgers was approved by the Commission, and the matter of how to recognize Edmund Harding in connection with the Van der Veer house was referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, with authority to act; provided that if the plaque suggested by Chairman Bridgers could not be installed in close proximity to Van der Veer house, that the matter be brought back to the full Commission for further consideration.

In the process of discussing the memorial plaque to Edmund Harding, it was suggested that the Commission give consideration to establishing a "Harding Cup." This suggestion was referred to the Finance Committee for its consideration, as

several members questioned the appropriateness of the Commission going into "The Cup Business."

Chairman Bridgers pointed out that Vice Chairman Morrison had previously suggested an organization, to be known as "Friends of Bath," and that Mrs. Morrison had outlined in some detail suggestions concerning this organization as a method to publicize Bath and to bring in funds. This suggestion was referred to the Publicity Committee for appropriate action.

Upon proper motion, duly passed, the next meeting of the Commission was set to be held in the Town of Bath on April 25, 1977.

Upon proper motion, duly passed, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Chairman - Henry C. Bridgers; Vice Chairman - Emma Neal Morrison; Secretary - James B. McMullan; Treasurer - Harry McMullan III.

Chairman Bridgers brought to the attention of the meeting the fact that, for many personal reasons, he would prefer not to continue as chairman of the Commission. Chairman Bridgers pointed out that he had discussed with William M. Zachman the possibility of his becoming chairman of the Commission; that he, Captain Bridgers, would be glad to work with Mr. Zachman until Mr. Zachman felt comfortable in taking over the job as chairman. Upon motion duly made and passed, with regret, the Commission determined that Mr. Zachman should succeed Captain Bridgers as Chairman at such time as these two gentlemen considered this appropriate.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Morrison, and several others, Dr. H. R. Paschal was requested to draft a resolution of appreciation relative to Captain Bridgers' efforts in behalf of the Town of Bath.

Without objection, the Secretary was ordered to enter in the minutes the appreciation of the Bath Commission for the wonderful party which Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. had given last evening at their home in Washington.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order to attend a luncheon at the home of Mr. H. R. Paschal.

Secretary

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1975

	<u>Gift Account</u>	<u>Checking Account</u>	<u>Savings Account</u>	<u>Saving Account (Gift A/C)</u>	<u>Total</u>
RECEIPTS:					
Merchandise Sales	\$ 2,892.74	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 2,892.74
Donations	40.95	283.65	-0-	-0-	324.60
Governmental Grants	-0-	11,642.30	-0-	-0-	11,642.30
Refund on Bank Charges	-0-	8.68	-0-	-0-	8.68
Interest Earned	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>722.80</u>	<u>239.57</u>	<u>962.37</u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 2,933.69</u>	<u>\$ 11,934.63</u>	<u>\$ 722.80</u>	<u>\$ 239.57</u>	<u>\$ 15,830.69</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Van Der Veer House Restoration	\$ 40.95	\$ 6,567.35	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 6,608.30
Dues and Subscriptions	-0-	25.00	-0-	-0-	25.00
Stationery	-0-	76.60	-0-	-0-	76.60
Merchandise Purchases	1,804.65	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,804.65
Sales Taxes	111.24	-0-	-0-	-0-	111.24
Grant Application Fees	<u>20.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>20.00</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 1,976.84</u>	<u>\$ 6,668.95</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 8,645.79</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 956.85</u>	<u>\$ 5,265.68</u>	<u>\$ 722.80</u>	<u>\$ 239.57</u>	<u>\$ 7,184.90</u>
COMPOSITION OF CASH BALANCES:					
Balance, 1-1-75	\$ <u>1,064.81</u>	\$ <u>150.00</u>	\$ <u>14,080.50</u>	\$ <u>5,181.60</u>	\$ <u>20,476.91</u>
Add: Receipts (Above)	\$ 2,933.69	\$ 11,934.63	\$ 722.80	\$ 239.57	\$ 15,830.69
Cash Transfers:					
From Savings	-0-	6,057.72	-0-	-0-	6,057.72
From Checking	-0-	-0-	11,300.00	-0-	11,300.00
From Gift Account	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	1,000.00
	<u>\$ 2,933.69</u>	<u>\$ 17,992.35</u>	<u>\$ 12,022.80</u>	<u>\$ 1,239.57</u>	<u>\$ 34,188.41</u>
Deduct: Disbursements (Above)	\$ 1,976.84	\$ 6,668.95	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 8,645.79
Cash Transfers:					
To Savings	1,000.00	11,300.00	-0-	-0-	12,300.00
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Balance, 12-31-75	<u>\$ 1,021.66</u>	<u>\$ 173.40</u>	<u>\$ 20,045.58</u>	<u>\$ 6,421.17</u>	<u>\$ 27,661.81</u>

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Historic Bath Site
Operations Report
By Mrs. John A. Tankard
1975-76

Since the Historic Bath Commission met last year, we have had a change in the Division of Archives and History. Dr. Tise is the new Director of the Division. Historic Sites is a new section, and Richard W. Sawyer, Jr. is administrator of the Historic Sites Section. Larry Misenheimer is the Assistant Administrator, and Ed Turberg is the Restoration Specialist.

Captain Henry C. Bridgers, Jr., Chairman of the Historic Bath Commission, has visited the site often and always lends a helping hand in any given situation in which we might ask him to help or participate.

Historic Bath Site participated in the PACE program last summer; we had two college students to work as hostesses for 400 hours each. This was most helpful since we are understaffed during the summer schedule.

This year, we will not be able to participate in the PACE Program, nor will we have the part-time help we have been having. Therefore, we will be greatly handicapped in attempting to give the service to our tourist we normally give. This situation is due to the budgetary freeze on temporary employees. We might ask the Historic Bath Commission for help in this situation.

Charles Adams worked at Historic Bath Site last summer under the CETA Program. Charles resigned and was replaced by Laura Tripp, who is working with us at the present time.

The Mobile Museum was at Historic Bath Site for a week in July.

We have received the permit from the Corps. of Engineers to bulk-head Bonner's Point and Indian Village waterfront property and to repair Hardings Landing. An application requesting funds for this project has been submitted to the Coastal Plains Development Commission, and we are awaiting the word on this request from Washington, D. C. It is hoped that this project will be funded.

Water is now furnished to Historic Bath Site by a town water system.

The picnic tables sponsored by different firms have been placed at the picnic area at Bonner's Point. They are cement and have added a great deal to the appearance of the picnic area as well as the comfort of our tourists.

We have installed a new telephone system which presents less problems and is simple to work.

Through Historic Albemarle Tour, Inc., signs will be placed throughout the Albemarle area to direct tourist to Historic Sites. They also have prepared a brochure advertising the sites and will do spots on the radio and television for promotion of our historic sites.

Historic Bath Site is the setting for the Bath High School Annual this year, as it has been for the past several years.

Rachel Tankard planted geraniums around the Circle in the Palmer-Marsh yard last summer, a project she does each year. This gives color and adds beauty to the area.

A wedding took place at Bonner's Point in November.

Richard W. Sawyer, Jr., Head of Historic Sites Section of the Department of Archives and History, 11 members of his staff, and Captain Henry C. Bridgers, Jr. visited Historic Bath Site February 16 and 17. Their visit had a threefold purpose. Several staff members had not had a chance to visit North Carolina's oldest town. For them, it was an indoctrination, and they were favorably impressed. The group also inspected the state properties to determine what needs to be done in the maintenance field. The entire staff then participated in an overall planning session

to determine possible future actions at the historic site. This should prove to be a beneficial visit for Bath, as all disciplines were well represented. A report of the group will be made at the Historic Bath Commission meeting.

The Washington Garden Club ladies reworked the dried arrangements in the Palmer-Marsh and Bonner houses as they do each year.

School, scout, civic, Senior Citizens, Church groups, etc. from the east to the west of North Carolina, Sir Arnold and Lady Bennet of Brisbane, Australia; the Mayor of Bath England and party; people from Brazil, Germany, Japan, and other points of interest have visited Historic Bath Site this year.

The attendance for Historic Bath Site this year, 23,155.

In the gift account, we have \$7,509.46.

In the checking account, we have \$440.11.

VAN DER VEER HOUSE

ca. 1790

Donated by MRS. RUTH SMITH and her sons.
Restored by the HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
in loving memory of

EDMUND H. HARDING,
1890-1970,

its first chairman, through the generosity of the SMITH RICHARDSON FOUNDATION and his many friends and with invaluable assistance from the DEPARTMENT of ARCHIVES and HISTORY and the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT STATE VISITORS CENTER
IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON APRIL 26, 1976

Captain Henry C. Bridgers called the meeting to order at 10:30, a. m.

The following persons were in attendance: Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mrs. Robert Williams, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Mr. William M. Zachman, Mr. Harry McMullan III, Mrs. Julian M. Davenport, Mrs. William W. Studdert, Mr. Willis E. Cobb, Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Jr., Mrs. Harvey H. Dixon, Jr., Mrs. A. H. Van Dorp, Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Sr., Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mayor Ray S. Brooks, Mr. Milo L. Gibbs, Dr. Larry E. Tise, Captain Henry C. Bridgers, and James B. McMullan.

The Chairman called on Dr. Larry E. Tise to give the invocation.

Following the invocation the Chairman welcomed the following new members:

Mr. William M. Zachman, Mrs. Henry Van Dorp, and Mrs. Robert Williams.

The Chairman also brought to the attention of the meeting the fact that former members, Mr. Milo L. Gibbs and Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., and Mr. James B. McMullan had been reappointed to the Commission.

The Chairman stated that he was happy to have such a fine representation from the Department of Archives in History, and introduced the following:

Dr. Larry Tise, Director, Mr. Richard Sawyer, Mr. Larry Misenheimer and Mr. Ed Turberg.

The minutes of the prior meeting had been distributed to all members and the reading of the minutes was, without objection, dispensed with.

Mr. Harry McMullan III was called on to give his treasurer's report, and this report is hereto attached and made a part of these minutes.

Upon proper motion our membership in the National Trust for Historic Preservation was ordered to be renewed and the treasurer was authorized to pay dues in the amount of \$25.00.

Mrs. John Tankard, Site Manager, was called on for her report, and it is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Chairman called on Dr. Larry Tise for a report, and also upon Mr. Richard Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer presented a proposed program for the Van der Veer house. He suggested that there should be an exhibit area and a memorial to Edmund Harding. The exhibits would consist of the early tools of the Building Trade, and the upper floor in the house would be left unfinished in order that the public could view open construction work of the period in which the house was built. It was suggested that an oil painting of Edmund Harding and a biographical sketch be placed at some appropriate location in the building. Mr. Sawyer asked that someone obtain permission for State representatives to examine the old Buzzard Inn. He stated that if it was determined that the State wished to acquire the Buzzard Inn that it could possibly be leased to a private operator for a restaurant. Mr. Sawyer also suggested that the Commission consider financing a guide book for Bath.

Mrs. John Tankard reported that Carolyn Harding possibly had an oil painting of Edmund Harding that could be donated for display in the Van der Veer house. Chairman Bridgers referred this matter to the Acquisition Committee.

The suggestion of a booklet relative to the Town of Bath was referred to the Publicity Committee, with authority to expend not to exceed \$3500.00 for the booklets.

Wilton Smith stated that he believed that he could obtain permission for State representatives to examine the old Buzzard Inn, and Chairman Bridgers requested that he attempt to do this.

Chairman Bridgers brought up the much-discussed old theater lot in the Town of Bath. This lot was purchased at the suggestion of Edmund Harding in June of 1967, with \$1500.00 of the Historic Bath Commission's funds. Title was vested in Beaufort County Historical Society, since at that time the Commission was not empowered to hold title to land. (See deeds, Book 613, page 204, and Book 351, page 127, Map Book 2, page 13.) Chairman Bridgers stated that the appearance of this ill-kept lot detracts from the over-all appearance of Bath, and that because of its size is probably only valuable to an adjacent landowner. Chairman Bridgers recommended that Beaufort County Historical Society be requested to sell this lot to the highest bidder in excess of \$3000.00, and that the proceeds of the sale be divided equally between Historic Bath Commission and Beaufort County Historical Society. Upon proper motion this matter was referred to Mr. William M. Zachman, who was authorized to act concerning the matter.

Chairman Bridgers gave a general report concerning the Van der Veer house. He pointed out that at the last meeting an expenditure of \$17,000.00 had been authorized for continuing the restoration, but that for many reasons only \$4,767.00 had been spent. Chairman Bridgers stated that we would soon be

ready to proceed with the electrical and mechanical work. He stated that in spite of the architect's good efforts, approval of plans and specifications had been frustratingly slow; that in round figures the Commission had spent to date \$43,679.00 on the house; and that in his opinion we could safely spend an additional \$18,000.00. Upon motion duly made and passed, it was resolved that Chairman Bridgers proceed with expending the additional \$18,000.00, and that if any amount were required above this the matter should be referred to the Executive Committee for decision.

Chairman Bridgers pointed out the problem relative to establishing the Van der Veer house as a memorial to our former chairman, Edmund H. Harding. He stated that under North Carolina law memorials cannot be made of public property, until at least twenty-five years after the death of the individual under consideration. Chairman Bridgers suggested the wording for a proposed plaque concerning Edmund Harding, and this wording is attached as a part of these minutes. The wording suggested by Chairman Bridgers was approved by the Commission, and the matter of how to recognize Edmund Harding in connection with the Van der Veer house was referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, with authority to act; provided that if the plaque suggested by Chairman Bridgers could not be installed in close proximity to Van der Veer house, that the matter be brought back to the full Commission for further consideration.

In the process of discussing the memorial plaque to Edmund Harding, it was suggested that the Commission give consideration to establishing a "Harding Cup." This suggestion was referred to the Finance Committee for its consideration, as

several members questioned the appropriateness of the Commission going into "The Cup Business."

Chairman Bridgers pointed out that Vice Chairman Morrison had previously suggested an organization, to be known as "Friends of Bath," and that Mrs. Morrison had outlined in some detail suggestions concerning this organization as a method to publicize Bath and to bring in funds. This suggestion was referred to the Publicity Committee for appropriate action.

Upon proper motion, duly passed, the next meeting of the Commission was set to be held in the Town of Bath on April 25, 1977.

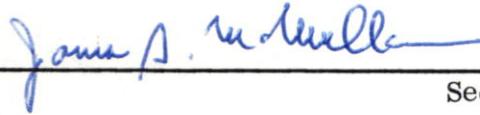
Upon proper motion, duly passed, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Chairman - Henry C. Bridgers; Vice Chairman - Emma Neal Morrison; Secretary - James B. McMullan; Treasurer - Harry McMullan III.

Chairman Bridgers brought to the attention of the meeting the fact that, for many personal reasons, he would prefer not to continue as chairman of the Commission. Chairman Bridgers pointed out that he had discussed with William M. Zachman the possibility of his becoming chairman of the Commission; that he, Captain Bridgers, would be glad to work with Mr. Zachman until Mr. Zachman felt comfortable in taking over the job as chairman. Upon motion duly made and passed, with regret, the Commission determined that Mr. Zachman should succeed Captain Bridgers as Chairman at such time as these two gentlemen considered this appropriate.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Morrison, and several others, Dr. H. R. Paschal was requested to draft a resolution of appreciation relative to Captain Bridgers' efforts in behalf of the Town of Bath.

Without objection, the Secretary was ordered to enter in the minutes the appreciation of the Bath Commission for the wonderful party which Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr. had given last evening at their home in Washington.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order to attend a luncheon at the home of Mr. H. R. Paschal.



Secretary

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION

Committee Appointments

April 26, 1976

Executive: To act for the full commission on all matters.

Chairman-----ex-officio
Vice Chairman-ex-officio
Secretary-----ex-officio
Treasurer-----ex-officio
Mr. deRossett
Mr. Gibbs
Mr. Zachman

Social: To arrange for and execute social affairs of the commission.

Mr. Cobb-----Chairman
Mrs. Anderson
Mrs. Dixon
Mrs. Tripp
Mr. Smith

Publicity: To publicize and promote Bath and advise on publicity problems.

Mrs. Dixon-----Chairman
Dr. Paschal
Mrs. Roberson
Mrs. Davenport
Mr. Smith

Nominating:

Dr. Paschal-----Chairman
Mrs. Dixon
Mrs. Mayo
Mr. Paul

Finance: To raise funds and advise on their expenditure.

Mr. Gibbs-----Chairman
Mr. Butt
Mrs. Marsh
Mrs. Anderson
Mr. Cobb
Treasurer-----ex-officio

Acquisitions: To acquire and accept furnishings and advise on the interior aspects of historic properties.

Mrs. Roberson-----Chairman
Mrs. VanDorp
Mrs. Williams
Mrs. Labouisse
Mr. Paul

Buildings and Grounds: To advise on the exterior aspects of historic properties.

Mrs. Mayo-----Chairman
Dr. Ralph
Mrs. Studdert
Mrs. VanDorp
Mrs. Williams

Local Affairs: On request, to represent the chairman of the commission on problems concerning city, county and area organizations.

Mr. deRossett----Chairman
Mr. Zachman
Mr. Wilkinson
Secretary--ex-officio

Appreciation of
Henry Clark Bridgers, Jr.

April 25, 1977

It was a saddened and confused Historic Bath Commission that assembled in the Spring of 1971. Its organizer and beloved leader, Edmund Harding, had passed away. Amidst this confusion, the Commission turned to its secretary, a good friend and neighbor of Edmund's, Henry Clark Bridgers, Jr., and asked him to assume the vacant chairmanship. In the brusque and unadorned manner of address which has become so familiar to Commission members, Henry Bridgers accepted the responsibility thrust upon him. He did so, he said, to make certain that the work Edmund had loved so much continued to move forward and because it was an important job that needed doing.

While constantly proclaiming his lack of ability for the roll he had assumed and his total unworthiness to be chairman of the commission, he went straight to work and good things began to happen at once. And, thus, it has always been with this modest man.

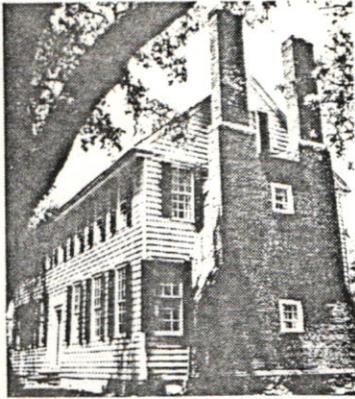
A native of Tarboro and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Chapel Hill, he enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1935 and was commissioned an ensign in the Naval Air Corps a year later. In 1955 he achieved the rank of Captain but a heart attack cut short his career ten years later. Retiring to Tarboro, he soon was bitten by the Pamlico bug and fell victim to the siren call of this great river valley. Edmund Harding in whose backyard he settled soon enlisted him for service on the commission.

Thus, in the spring of 1971, just recovering from his serious illness and supposedly retired, he took up the cudgels for the Bath Commission. Everyone here today is aware of the splendid job he has done. When the decision was read by the commission to restore the Vanderveer house as a memorial to Edmund Harding, the Captain moved with vigor to secure the dwelling, to see to its removal to

its present site, to aid in raising funds for the restoration, to confer with the officials of Archives and History, to negotiate contracts, to raise more funds, etc., etc. The restoration of the Vanderveer house has been the Commission's major project in the past several years and truthfully it has been the Captain's project.

This restoration, however, has been but one of many matters relating to Bath that has^V concerned Captain Bridgers through the years. As problems have arisen, he has^S met each of them directly and finished them off with dispatch. Through it all he has kept his humor and his sanity as would almost anyone who had the constant support and unflagging loyalty of our Mrs. Chairman Bridgers, Theda, whose friendship has meant so much to each of us.

We sincerely regret that the Captain has seen fit to retire. His hand will be missed at the helm. We only hope that he will not feel pushed to do any more for Historic Bath than he has done in the twelve years since his last retirement.



Historic Bath Commission

Box 129

Bath, N. C. 27808

North Carolina's Oldest Town

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

June 30, 1977

IN REPLY, PLEASE ADDRESS:

Executive: To act for the full Commission on all matters.

Chairman Ex-Officio
Vice Chairman Ex-Officio
Secretary Ex-Officio
Treasurer Ex-Officio
Dr. Ira May Hardy, III
Dr. Herbert R. Paschal
Mrs. W. R. Roberson
Capt. Henry C. Bridgers

Social: To arrange for and execute social affairs of the Commission.

Mrs. Dixon
Mrs. Anderson
Mrs. Tripp
Mr. Smith
Mrs. Marsh
Mrs. Louise Vosburgh

Publicity: To publicize and promote Bath and advise on publicity problems.

Mrs. Dixon Chairman
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Mrs. Roberson
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Mr. Cobb Chairman
Mrs. Marsh
Mrs. Anderson
Treasurer Ex-Officio
Capt. Henry C. Bridgers
Mr. Harry McMullan

Acquisitions: To acquire and accept furnishings and advise on the interior aspect of historic properties.

Mrs. Roberson Chairman
Mrs. Morrison
Mrs. VanDorp
Mrs. Williams
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Mr. Paul
Mrs. Marsh

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Mrs. Mayo Chairman
Mr. Wilkinson
Mrs. Studdert
Mrs. VanDorp
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Mr. Smith

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Mr. Wilkinson Chairman
Secretary Ex-Officio
Mrs. VanDorp
Mr. James B. McMullan
Mrs. Marsh
Mrs. Anderson

Dedicated to the Preservation of Our Heritage

Minutes of Meeting of Historic Bath Commission held at State
Visitors Center in the Town of Bath on April 25, 1977

William M. Zachman called the meeting to order at 10:30, a. m. The following Commission members were in attendance: James B. McMullan, William M. Zachman, Captain Henry C. Bridgers, Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Mrs. Frances M. Roberson, Mrs. Mary H. Van Dorp, Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Miss Frances J. Ratcliff, Mrs. Robert Williams, Willis E. Cobb, Jr., Dr. Ira M. Hardy II, Mr. Herbert R. Paschal, Mrs. Ophelia H. Dixon, and Mrs. Vonnie S. Marsh.

The invocation was given by Chairman Zachman, after which he introduced new members, Dr. Ira Hardy and Miss Frances Ratcliff. Thereafter the chairman introduced Richard W. Sawyer, Jr. and Edward F. Turberg, members of the Department of Archives and History.

At the request of Chairman Zachman, Dr. Paschal read a resolution of appreciation as to former Chairman, Captain Henry Clark Bridgers, Jr. By unanimous action, this resolution was made a part of these minutes, and follows these minutes in the Minute Book. Chairman Zachman presented a plaque to Captain Bridgers in appreciation for his service to the Commission.

Dr. Paschal gave the report of the Nomination Committee for officers for the coming year, as follows:

Chairman	-	William M. Zachman
Vice Chairman	-	Mrs. Fred W. Morrison
Treasurer	-	Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson
Secretary	-	James B. McMullan

Upon motion duly made and seconded and unanimously passed, officers were elected as nominated by the Nominating Committee.

It was noted that minutes of last year's meeting had been mailed to the membership, and since there were no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Zachman gave the Treasurer's Report, which report is attached to and forms a part of these minutes. By unanimous action, the Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Mrs. John Tankard gave her report for the year, which report is attached to and forms a part of these minutes.

Mr. Turberg gave a report on the restoration of the Van der Veer house. Mr. Turberg suggested that the restoration now continue into Phase II (the installation of the electrical and mechanical system) and that bids be taken. By unanimous action, it was determined to go forward into Phase II.

There was discussion concerning a plaque memorializing Edmund Harding, to be installed in the Van der Veer house. The Chairman referred this matter to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds for action.

There was general discussion concerning the proposed "Harding Cup." Upon proper motion and by a majority vote, it was determined to take no further action concerning it.

The Chairman made reference to the party which had been given by Mrs. William P. Mayo and Mrs. Ophelia H. Dixon on the evening previous to this meeting. General thanks were extended to these ladies.

By unanimous action, the 1978 meeting was set for 10:30, a. m., on April 24, 1978, at the Visitors Center in Bath.

By unanimous action, it was determined that we should continue our membership in the National Preservation Trust, the dues being \$25.00 per year.

Dr. Hardy invited members of the Commission to his home in Bath on the Sunday night preceding the 1978 meeting.

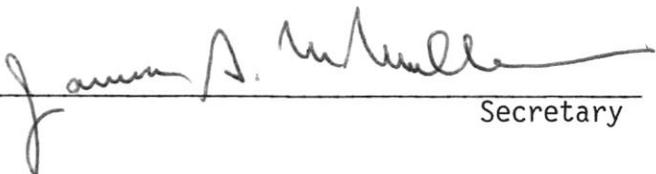
Chairman Zachman gave the statement of goals and objectives for the coming year, these falling under the general headings of (1) Coordinating growth in and around the Town of Bath; (2) Perpetual grounds maintenance of the public properties in the Town of Bath; (3) An organization which would

support the Commission — money support and moral support; (4) Publicity.

Chairman Zachman appointed committees for the coming year, and a list of these appointments was passed to the membership. These committee appointments are appended to and made a part of these minutes.

Chairman Zachman recognized Dr. Hardy, who stated that there would soon be a Planning Board for the Town of Bath and that the people who will probably serve on the Board were historically minded. He stated that, in his opinion, the Commission should see that neither commercial interests nor recreation interests should be allowed to ruin the town. Dr. Hardy stated that the municipal pier was in bad condition and that no grant had yet been obtained to repair the peier. Mr. Sawyer, at the request of Chairman Zachman, was recognized for a report on the pier. Mr. Sawyer stated that application had been made for a grant to repair the bulkhead and pier, and that the grant would probably be obtained.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order that the membership might attend a luncheon at the Bath Ruritan Club.


Secretary

HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1977

	<u>Checking</u>		<u>Savings</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Gift</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Passbook</u>	<u>Gift</u>	
RECEIPTS:					
Merchandise Sales	\$ 9,915	\$	\$	\$	\$ 9,915
Donations and Expense Reimbursements	538				538
Interest Earned			1,319	747	2,066
	<u>10,453</u>		<u>1,319</u>	<u>747</u>	<u>12,519</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Van Der Veer House Restoration		6,395			6,395
Reception		273			273
Christmas Decorations		230			230
Annual Meeting Expense		70			70
Luncheon Expense	180				180
Dues		25			25
Office Expense		8			8
Book Publication Expense				3,500	3,500
Intangibles Tax				10	10
Merchandise Purchases and Sales Taxes	5,026				5,026
	<u>5,206</u>	<u>7,001</u>		<u>3,510</u>	<u>15,717</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 5,247</u>	<u>\$ (7,001)</u>	<u>\$ 1,319</u>	<u>\$ (2,763)</u>	<u>\$ (3,198)</u>
COMPOSITION OF CASH BALANCES:					
Balance, 1-1-77	\$ 930	\$ 1,541	\$ 21,075	\$ 8,827	\$ 32,373
Add: Receipts (Above)	10,453		1,319	747	12,519
Cash Transfers	1,200	6,360		4,000	11,560
Total	<u>11,653</u>	<u>6,360</u>	<u>1,319</u>	<u>4,747</u>	<u>24,079</u>
Deduct: Disbursements (Above)	5,206	7,001		3,510	15,717
Cash Transfers	6,930		3,430	1,200	11,560
Total	<u>12,136</u>	<u>7,001</u>	<u>3,430</u>	<u>4,710</u>	<u>27,277</u>
Balance, 12-31-77	<u>\$ 447</u>	<u>\$ 900</u>	<u>\$ 18,964</u>	<u>\$ 8,864</u>	<u>\$ 29,175</u>

MINUTES OF MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT STATE VISITORS CENTER IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON APRIL 24, 1978

Chairman William M. Zachman called the meeting to order at 10:30 a. m. The following Commission members were in attendance: William M. Zachman, James B. McMullan, Mrs. R. H. Williams, Jr., Mrs. Fred W. Morrison, Mrs. William P. Mayo, Mrs. Anice Tripp, Mrs. Arthur Lee Moore, Mrs. Jackie Thompson, Mrs. Vonnie S. Marsh, Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Mrs. Mary H. Van Dorp, Mr. Ray S. Brooks, Mr. Herbert R. Paschal, Dr. Ira M. Hardy II, Mr. Wilton W. Smith, Miss Frances J. Ratcliff, Mr. Bruce Beasley, and Mr. John A. Wilkinson.

The invocation was given by Chairman Zachman, after which he welcomed new members as follows: Mr. Bruce Beasley, Mrs. Mary Alice Chapin, Mrs. Odell Snow, and Mrs. Jackie Thompson.

Mr. Zachman gave a report on a Special Meeting of the Historic Bath Commission, which meeting was held for the principal purpose of the formation of "Friends of Historic Bath."

Chairman Zachman welcomed guests to this meeting and thanked Dr. and Mrs. Hardy for the lovely dinner which they had had on Sunday preceding this meeting.

Chairman Zachman presented the Treasurer's report and explained why it, of necessity, must be an unaudited statement. By proper action, the report was approved and is attached to and forms a part of these minutes.

Mrs. John Tankard gave the Historic Site report, which included the many activities that had taken place during the previous year.

Chairman Zachman gave a report of the Van der Veer house. Mr. Zachman pointed out that Phase II had been completed and that we were ready to begin Phase III (completion of the interior work), and that work would soon be

commenced on this by Mr. Frank Woolard, building contractor. Mr. Richard W. Sawyer, Jr., of the Department of Archives and History, introduced Mr. Bryan Harvey, the new assistant project manager.

Chairman Zachman introduced Mrs. Kitty Williams, who gave a report on the planned activity of Friends of Historic Bath. Mrs. Williams mentioned the book which is being prepared by Mrs. Joanne Young (writer) and Taylor Lewis (Photographer). Both of these persons were introduced and spoke briefly concerning the proposed new book. Mrs. Williams and Chairman Zachman indicated that Friends of Historic Bath propose to raise approximately \$35,000.00, which would be spent as follows: \$25,000.00 to publish book; \$5,000.00 for furnishings for the Van der Veer house; \$2500.00 - promotion; and \$2500.00 for operating expense.

Mrs. Dot Tankard reported on the proposed bulkhead to be constructed. Mrs. Tankard stated that in doing preliminary work an old foundation had been discovered in the water, and it wasn't yet known what this foundation was. Mr. Richard F. Knapp reported that drawings of the proposed bulkhead had been made, and that it was hoped the final plans would be received in about a week and that construction might be underway by the end of the summer. Dr. Knapp mentioned that the bulkhead could not be built over the old foundation which had been discovered.

Dr. Hardy reported that a planning board had been appointed by the Town of Bath and that the planning board would soon begin the legal mechanics of establishing an Historic District within the town.

Dr. Hardy stated that St. Thomas Church had insufficient funds to properly keep up the Gleabe House and inquired if the Commission could in some way assist with this. He pointed out that the Gleabe House had been constructed around 1820. Dr. Hardy was asked by Chairman Zachman to discuss this matter

with Mrs. Frances Roberson, Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, and explore the possibilities of helping with the upkeep of the Gleabe House.

Officers for the coming year were elected by acclimation, as follows:

President	-	William M. Zachman
Vice President	-	Dr. Ira M. Hardy II
Secretary	-	Bruce Beasley
Treasurer	-	Alethia C. Anderson

Chairman Zachman appointed committee chairmen for the coming year as follows:

Social	-	Mrs. Ophelia Dixon
Aquisitions	-	Mrs. William P. Mayo
Building and Grounds	-	Mrs. Frances M. Roberson
Publicity	-	Louise Vosburgh
Finance	-	Kitty Williams
Local Affairs	-	Dr. Ira M. Hardy II

The date for the next Annual Meeting was set for April 23, 1979, the meeting to be held at the State Visitors Center in the Town of Bath.

By proper action, it was determined that Historic Bath Commission would continue its membership in the National Preservation Trust for another year, and that dues of \$25.00 would be paid.

Dr. Paschal pointed out that it would be well if the State's Master Plan for the Town of Bath could be Xerox'd and a copy sent to all members of Historic Bath Commission. By proper action it was determined that the Commission should, if necessary, pay this expense.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned in order that the membership might attend a luncheon at the Bath Ruritan Club.


Secretary

MINUTES OF WINTER MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT STATE VISITORS CENTER IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON NOVEMBER 29, 1978

CHAIRMAN WILLIAM M. ZACHMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:00 A.M. THE FOLLOWING COMMISSION MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE: WILLIAM M. ZACHMAN, MR. JAMES B. McMULLAN, MRS. KITTY WILLIAMS, MR. JOHN A. WILKINSON, MRS. VONNIE S. MARSH, MRS. ALETHIA C. ANDERSON. MRS. ANICE TRIPP, MRS. JACKIE THOMPSON, MRS. MARY H. VANDORP, MRS. JOHN TANKARD, MR. E. BRUCE BEASLEY, III, MR. BLAKE C. LEWIS, JR., AND MR. MILTON FIELDS.

THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN, AFTER WHICH HE WELCOMED NEW MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS: MR. BLAKE LEWIS AND MR. MILTON FIELDS.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN READ LETTERS OF APPRECIATION FOR THE THREE MEMBERS WHOSE TERM EXPIRED ON THE COMMISSION.

MR. ZACHMAN CALLED ON BRUCE BEASLEY, SECRETARY TO READ THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 1978 MEETING. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. JOHN WILKINSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND A SECOND BY MRS. KITTY WILLIAMS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN GAVE A REPORT OF THE VAN DER VEER HOUSE. MR. ZACHMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE WAS A LITTLE BEHIND.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN DISCUSSED THE MASTER PLAN FOR BATH TOWNE THAT HAD BEEN PREPARED BY THE STATE. SEVERAL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION REQUESTED COPIES OF THE PLAN AND BRUCE BEASLEY AGREED TO PROVIDE EACH MEMBER WITH A COPY.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE VAN DER VEER HOUSE WAS TO BE UTILIZED FOR ADAPTIVE RESTRUCTION AND NOT AS A MUSEUM. FURTHER DISCUSSION THEN TOOK PLACE ON THE PURPOSE OF THE STATE MASTER PLAN AND THE FUTURE OF THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC SITE.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN GAVE A REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND THE PROPOSED SALE OF THE BOOK, THE HIDDEN TREASURE OF BATH TOWNE. HE DISCUSSED THE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE OF THE FRIENDS OF HISTORIC BATH, INC. AND THE EFFORTS TO RAISE FUNDS BY THE SALE OF THE BOOK. HE STATED THAT THE BOOKS WILL SELL FOR \$12.95 PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS, AND THAT THE PRICE WILL BE INCREASED TO \$15.95 AFTER CHRISTMAS. MRS. KITTY WILLIAMS INFORMED THE COMMISSION THAT AN AUTOGRAPH PARTY WILL BE HELD IN WILSON ON DECEMBER 16, AND IN BATH ON DECEMBER 17, 1978, TO PROMOTE THE SALE OF THE BOOK.

MRS. DOT TANKARD POINTED OUT THAT AN OPEN HOUSE WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 19, 1978 FROM 2:00 TO 5:00 P.M. AND THAT THE HOUSES WOULD BE DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS. SHE STATED THAT TAYLOR LEWIS AND JO ANN YOUNG WOULD BE IN ATTENDANCE TO AUTOGRAPH COPIES OF THE BOOK.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN DISCUSSED THE THREATEN LOT THAT IS CURRENTLY OWNED BY HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION. HE SAID THAT THE MONEY FOR THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY WOULD GO INTO THE GIFT ACCOUNT BECAUSE IN 1957 IT WAS PURCHASED UTILIZING FUNDS FROM THAT ACCOUNT. HE INDICATED THAT THE STATE WOULD NOT ACCEPT THE PROPERTY.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION OF THE PROPERTY AND A CLOCK HANGING IN THE VISITORS CENTER, CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN SAID THAT HE WOULD APPOINT SOMEONE ON THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE TWO MATTERS AND REPORT BACK AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

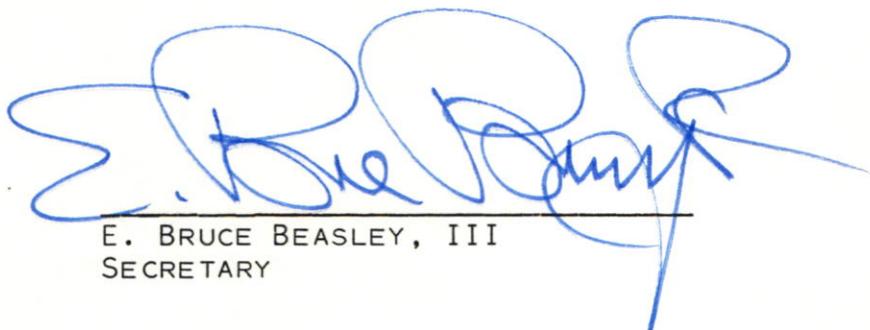
CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN SAID THE ANNUAL MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 23, 1979 AT THE VISITORS CENTER IN BATH.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN APPOINTED DR. HERBERT PASCHAL, AND DR. IRA HARDY, TO SERVE ON THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE FOR THE COMING YEAR.

CHAIRMAN ZACHMAN APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMING YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

PROJECT - MR. MILTON FIELDS
FINANCE - MR. BRUCE BEASLEY

UPON PROPER MOTION, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED IN ORDER THAT THE MEMBERSHIP MIGHT ATTEND A LUNCHEON AT THE BATH RURITAN CLUB.



E. BRUCE BEASLEY, III
SECRETARY

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING OF HISTORIC BATH COMMISSION
HELD AT THE STATE VISITORS CENTER IN THE TOWN OF BATH
ON OCTOBER 24, 1979

Chairman Leo W. Jenkins called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.. The following Board members were in attendance: Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Mr. William M. Zachman, Mrs. John Tankard, Mr. E. Bruce Beasley, III, Mr. Milton Fields, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., Mr. Blake C. Lewis, Jr., Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Dr. Ira M. Hardy, II.

Chairman Jenkins gave a status report on the theater lot owned by Historic Bath Commission, and a discussion followed by those present. After a review of the methods and procurement for sale, the Chairman requested William Zachman to begin proceedings for the sale of the property at public auction.

Chairman Jenkins called on William Zachman to review the status of the contract with Taylor Lewis and Associates, Zachman stated that it was his opinion that the contract had been breached due to the late delivery of the book and that the balance of \$13,000 owed to Taylor Lewis and Associates by the Friends of Bath, Inc. should not be payed. Zachman said that Taylor Lewis and Associates had agreed to this in February, but in June requested full payment. In that month \$5,000 was paid to Taylor Lewis and Associates leaving a balance of \$8,000 in dispute. The concensus of the membership was not to pay the balance at this time.

In the absence of Mrs. Kitty Williams, no financial report was made on the Friends of Bath, Inc..

Chairman Jenkins said that he expected the Governor to make five Commission appointments in the near future.

Chairman Jenkins called on Secretary Bruce Beasley to give a highlight of the minutes of the Annual Meeting.

Chairman Jenkins stated that the Annual Meeting would be held on Monday, April 14, 1980 at the Visitors Center in Bath.

Chairman Jenkins appointed a Nomination composed of Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Chairman, Mrs. W. R. Roberson, Jr., and Mrs. Keith Lamb.

Chairman Jenkins requested approval of \$200 to be utilized to decorate the homes during the Christmas Season. The membership gave approval.

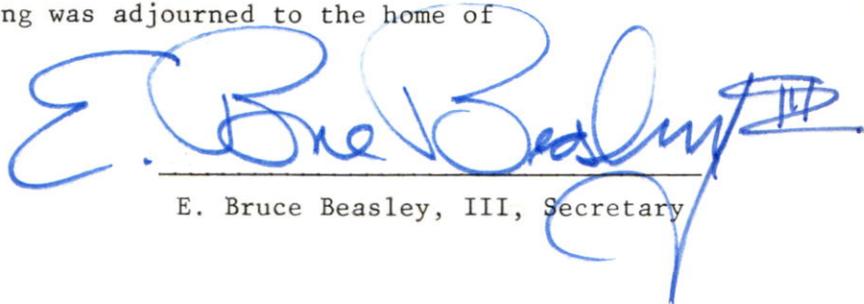
Chairman Jenkins then called on Dr. Ira Hardy for a Financial Report. He gave the following report:

Balance in Checking Account:	\$8,768.46
Balance in Savings Account:	\$3,634.86

Chairman Jenkins called on Mr. Richard Sawyer to give a progress report on the Van Der Veer house. He reported that the house should be completed by October, 1980.

Dr. Ira Hardy was recognized and reported on the planning activities that have taken place in Bath during the past year. He stated that an Historic District has been created in the Town to preserve the Core historic area.

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned to the home of Mrs. John Tankard.



E. Bruce Beasley, III, Secretary

Minutes of Annual Meeting of Historic Bath Commission
held at State Visitors Center in the Town of Bath on
April 23, 1979

Chairman William M. Zachman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The following Commission Members were in attendance: William M. Zachman, E. Bruce Beasley, III, Mrs. Alethia C. Anderson, Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, Blake C. Lewis, Jr., Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Mrs. Vonnie S. Marsh, Mrs. John Tankard, Mrs. Anice Tripp, Mrs. Jackie Thompson, Mr. Milton Fields, Mrs. Kitty Williams, Mr. H. C. Bridgers, Jr., and Mrs. Odell Snow.

The invocation was given by Chairman Zachman, after which he welcomed the guests: Dick Sawyer, Jo Ramsey, Jimmy Rinfro and Margaret Hesten.

Chairman Zachman asked for approval of the minutes of the November 29, 1978 minutes that had been mailed to the members. A motion was made by Mr. Milton Fields and seconded by Mr. Henry Bridgers. The motion carried.

Chairman Zachman then gave a Treasurer's Report. A motion to accept the Report was made by Mr. Bridgers and seconded by Mrs. John Tankard. The motion carried.

Chairman, Zachman called on Mrs. Tankard, Site Manager for a Report for the year. Mrs. Tankard welcomed the new members and reported on the following activities.

- (1) Personnel changes that took place during the year.
- (2) Media reception that was held in conjunction with the drams "Knight of the Blackflag."
- (3) Progress of the Van Den Veen House.
- (4) Work continuing on the herb garden.
- (5) Oyster shells purchased for walkways.
- (6) Many groups visited the site during the year.
- (7) Many maintenance and repair projects during the year.
- (8) Open house held on December 18, 1978 with the homes decorated for the holiday season.

- (9) Work continues on the bulk head project and archeological study underway.
- (10) East Carolina University to conduct an underwater study.

Chairman Zachman thanked Mrs. Tankard, for a comprehensive report and called on Jo Ramsey for a status report on the Van Den Veen House. Mr. Ramsey stated that the work should be under contract and completed by September 1979.

Chairman Zachman recognized Mrs. Kitty Williams, Chairman of the Friends of Bath, Inc., for a report. Mrs. Williams stated that the membership sales have been good, but not as brisk as she had hoped. She said the current bank balance is \$7,000 in the savings account and \$1,500 in the checking account.

Chairman Zachman reported on the status of the books project. He stated that the total cost of the project was \$28,000; that \$15,000 had been paid to Taylor Lewis and Associates, but that the balance, \$13,000 was being withheld until the requirements of the contract had been fulfilled. He said that 6,000 books were printed and they will sell for \$12.95. To date sales amount to \$8,500. Chairman Zachman thanked Blake Lewis for the good WNCT-TV had done in promoting the sale of the book.

Chairman Zachman recognized Dr. Herb Paschal for the nominating report.

Chairman - Dr. Leo W. Jenkins
Vice Chairman - Blake C. Lewis, Jr.
Secretary - E. Bruce Beasley, III
Treasurer - Dr. Ira M. Hardy, II

A Motion was made by Mr. Milton Fields to accept the slate by acclamation and seconded by Mr. Henry Bridgers. The motion carried.

Mrs. John Tankard expressed her gratitude to Chairman Zachman for the fine job that he had done for the past two years serving as chairman. Mr. Bridgers expressed his appreciation also on behalf of the entire membership.

The meeting then recessed for media interviews by the new officers.

Upon calling the meeting back to order Chairman Zachman read a letter from Mrs. Fred W. Morrison expressing her regrets at being unable to attend the meeting.

Chairman Zachman stated that there were two items of old business that needed to be resolved.

The first was the theater lot owned by Historic Bath Commission. Zachman stated that the Division of Archives and History had reviewed the status of the lot and suggested that it was of no value to the Bath Commission and that it should be disposed of and the funds be utilized for the completion of the Van Den Veen House. Zachman said that he had asked Mr. James McMullan the covenants of the disposition of the property.

A discussion followed concerning the method and procedure for sale. Mrs. Vonnie S. Marsh requested the right of refusal of the lot since it joined her property. Chairman Zachman indicated that people had expressed to him an interest in purchasing the property and that the sale should be public. It was voted that the purchase price of the property was \$15,000.

After a lengthy discussion Mr. Milton Field made a motion to table and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Kitty Williams. The motion was defeated 7 to 5.

Mr. Henry Bridgers made a motion to advertise the lot for public sale and allow Mrs. Marsh first refusal. Chairman asked for a second to the motion, and there being none, he requested a motion to direct the new officers of the Commission to dispose of the property in an appropriate and legal manner. A motion was made by Mr. Bridgers and seconded by Mr. Blake Lewis.

A substitute motion was offered by Mr. Fields to allow the Executive Committee to be authorized and directed to take such steps as are necessary to dispose of the theater lot subject to appropriate restrictive covenants. Mr. Bridgers and Mr. Lewis accepted the substitute motion. The motion carried with 10 yes and 1 no.

Chairman Zachman brought up the second item of old business. That was the request by Chris C. Carrwan to have the clock that hung in the stone and now hangs in the visitors center returned to his family. The request was made by letter and chairman Zachman read a letter from Mrs. John Tankand to Mr. Carawan concerning the status of the clock. The clock had been picked up by the center, but was returned and now hangs in the Visitors Center.

Chairman Zachman requested a motion for action concerning the clock Mr. Blake Lewis made a motion to refuse the request to return the clock and place an appropriate plaque on it. Mrs. Kitty Williams seconded the motion. Mr. Henry Bridgers asked for an amendment to the motion to deny the request and explain the reason for the action. Mrs. Williams seconded the amendment. Mr. Lewis accepted the amendment, and the amended motion carried.

Chairman Zachman asked if there was any more old business. He then requested any new business.

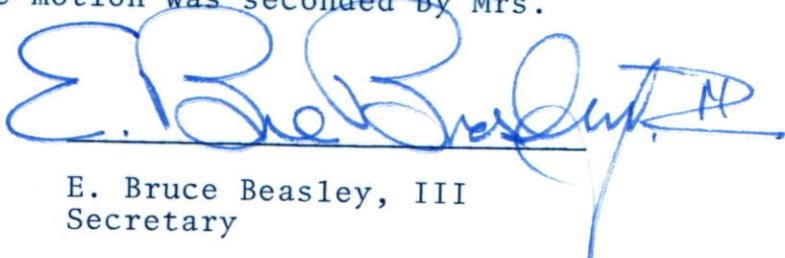
Mr. Milton Fields brought to the attention of the membership the following three projects that he was interested in and had been working on.

- (1) The wauff.
- (2) A ship museum in a portion of the Van Den Veen House.
- (3) An antillery display.

Chairman Zachman called on Mrs. John Tankard who said that she had been requested by Mrs. Edmund Handing to advise the membership of her desire to have a desk placed in the Van Der Veen House in memory of her late husband. Mrs. Tankard said that the State could not stipulate that the desk not be moved out of the house. Chairman Zachman referred the matter to the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Vonnie Marsh expressed her appreciation for the outstanding job that Mr. William Zachman had done serving as Chairman of the Commission for the past two years. The membership gave Mr. Zachman a standing ovation.

There being no further business, Mr. Blake Lewis made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Marsh and carried.



E. Bruce Beasley, III
Secretary