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Historical Preservation and Legacy Subcommittee

March 8, 2010 @ 6:30 p.m. Room 165

Agenda

- Long Term Vision
- Discussion
- Path forward
- Public Comments
- Final Comments from the Board

Adjourn



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Historical Preservation & Legacy

Meeting Summary

March 8, 2011 • 6:30 p.m.

The Ohio State University Endeavor Center

1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, OH 45661

Room # 165

Subcommittee Members Present: Gene Brushart, Brian Huber, Sharon Manson, and Cristy Renner

Subcommittee Members Absent: None

Board Members Present: Dick Snyder, Shirley Bandy, and Ervin Craft

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Representatives: Greg Simonton and Richard Bonczek

DOE Contractors: Rick Greene, Janie Croswait, and Lesley Cusick, Restoration Services, Inc. (RSI); Elizabeth Scott, Eric Woods, Tim Poe, FBP

Liaisons: None

Support Staff: Eric Roberts and Cindy Lewis, EHI

Public: Scott Miller, Kyle Gunto, and Stephanie Howe, Ohio University; Lee Young and Thomas Rayburn, Kindred River Society; Mark Johnson; Tri-state Building Trades (TSBTC); David Snyder, Ohio History (OHPO); John Hancock, University of Cincinnati; Scott Moore, TSHD Architects; Mandy Hart; Appaphil; and Geoffrey Sea, Sargents Historic Preservation Project

Manson opened the Historical Preservation & Legacy meeting

- **Roberts** stated that tonight's agenda is Long Term Vision and how it all fits in the CERCLA process. In August when we did our work plan, we knew there would be D&D at the site and several buildings would be coming down.
- **Simonton** stated that anyone is welcome to make comments to DOE but only during the Public comment time. The Subcommittee needs to take a step back and look at all the things we have seen, what we like, what we do not like, and what is feasible for this site. What is the best way for the subcommittee to make a recommendation to DOE on how to tell their story, the DOE built environment.

- **Roberts** stated the Subcommittee needs to look at our scope and what we have done.
- **Simonton** stated DOE gives the Subcommittee presentations so that the Subcommittee and SSAB Board can understand and make timely, and meaningful recommendations to DOE on the complex activities at the site. Mitigation on DOE built environment makes impacts on the environment here at the site.
- **Cusick** stated that the NHPA is under CERCLA. When clean up is being done the laws are complied under Applicable Relevant and Appropriate (ARRA). CERCLA was designed to speed up the clean up process.
- **Roberts** stated the CERCLA process is the process that DOE is going thru right now to make a decision on whether to tear down the large process buildings. CERCLA is a series of documents, it's to indentify a problem, what are our ways to deal with the problem, what is the cost to deal with the problem, and what are the risks. Then say this is DOE's proposed plan. DOE has looked at a problem and said we know about it and this is what DOE is going to do about it. What does the public think about it? There is a defined public comment intended to streamline the process. Because NHPA is important, they are included in the process. If the CERCLA process is being done, then where do you as a SSAB Board make comments that will mitigate the DOE built environment. How is public comment going to be handled under the CERCLA?
- **Cusick** stated that there will be public notices in the paper, the document will be posted, where it can be viewed by the public during the public comment period, then everyone can make comments. DOE is seeking public comment under the review process from SSAB members, consulting parties, anyone interested in what is going on, then DOE will consider all comments.
- **Roberts** stated the SSAB is another public voice, but as a SSAB member you are provided with informed information in order to make your recommendations. The sooner you make your ideas know the easier it is to make changes.

Question/Comment:	Answer:
Brushart asked what about the data that OU just reported on in the Community Involvement Subcommittee can it be used in this process.	Roberts stated OU is researching what the public wants the future use for the site to be.

Manson stated the Subcommittee needs to regroup in order to move forward.

Path forward

Roberts asked what Strengths the subcommittee saw at other sites.

Strengths

- Virtual Tour
- Fernald
- Historical Center

- Green Space
- Prairie Environment offset
- Gathering room

Unique items for operations
Training Center
Educational Center (Nevada)

Roberts asked what things DOE threw out that the Subcommittee is not crazy about.

- **Huber** stated I am not crazy about the smelter
- **Manson** stated people don't like to comment on the unknown

Roberts asked what can DOE provide
Opportunities

- Children's Museum
- Interactive exhibits for all ages
- Critical thinking
- Timeline for the site, Prehistoric to present

<p>Brushart asked there is a fence around the area, if the location is on-site, will the public have free access to that area. Right now for security reasons you couldn't have the location on-site</p>	<p>Roberts stated you might find a building that is not fenced in, there are some not inside the fence, DOE has offices that is not in the fence</p>
<p>Renner stated the Subcommittee says they want a building for meetings with a kitchen area to serve them; the 1000 building fits that bill right now. If Pike County School would have made a decision sooner, maybe some of the buildings could have been saved and been used for office space. Could DOE get the Subcommittee some information about what other buildings might be used for something else?</p>	<p>Simonton stated DOE will get that information to the subcommittee.</p>

Brushart stated John Hancock is here tonight. John Hancock do you have something to present to the subcommittee tonight?

Hancock stated many ideas that the Subcommittee has are wonderful, but it seems early to make some of these decisions, like what buildings you want to use. At Fernald the building that houses the museum wasn't even built at the stage Portsmouth is at right now. It was built during the D&D process, and then turned into a museum later. Maybe there will be something built here during the D&D process that you can use.

Public Comments:

Sea stated the SSAB is not here to tell DOE what DOE says they want to hear. If the board is going to do something on preservation then the board needs to ask the other preservation groups around the area to have input. To begin this process, recommend to DOE that they expand and formalize the NHPA. The NHPA is not how DOE explains it. Ask DOE to sponsor a preservation conference.

Rayburn asked what is the timeline for you to put a museum at the site. Since the museum will not be opened right away, why not let DOE help other preservation groups that need help now, and then help your Subcommittee later since you do not need it for a while.

Action Items:

1. **Manson** to compile all the ideas the subcommittee has and put together something to recommend to DOE.
2. **Simonton** to get some information on other buildings that could possibility be used for something else.

Renner motioned to adjourn the meeting, **Motion seconded.**

- **Motion carried, Meeting adjourned**