## **REPORT**



## CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA COUNCIL AFRICAN-AMERICAN CEMETERY COMMITTEE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2018 AT 3:00 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL – 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018 AND DULY POSTED AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 100 E. CAROLINA AVE.

Members Present: Johnny Andrews, Mayor Pro-Tem

Members Absent: Tre Gammage, Chair

Guests Present: Ruth Segars, Adlena Graham, Jennifer Heisel, Patricia Wingate

Staff Present: Lauren Baker, Public Information Officer, Kennedy McGee

The following matters were discussed:

- 1. November Clean Up
  - a) Clean up day was a success with members of the Middle School Beta Club and American Legion present.
  - b) December's clean up date was moved to Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> to avoid coinciding with the Christmas Parade to help maintain attendance.
- 2. Review of Unmarked Burials List
  - a) Johnny provided two comprehensive spreadsheets that provide information regarding people who could potentially be buried in the cemetery based on the inconclusive information on their birth certificates. This information could be distributed in the hopes that current family members may recognize a late member on the list and be able to confirm their burial location.
- 3. Martin Luther King Day Marker Dedication
  - a) Lauren Baker will work to draft an invitation for the dedication to send to those who've helped along the way, the press, and other relevant parties. Lauren also offered to create a flyer that could be easily distributed and to post about the dedication on social media.
  - b) The group would like to create a bulletin insert to advertise the event within the churches. Jennifer Heisel has connections with the Butler Heritage Foundation and will work to engage them as well.
  - c) GSSM, HHS, and Coker College will all be notified of the event as well.
  - d) Johnny provided a handout showing the schedule for the event which will begin at 10:00 AM and end at 2:30. The handout also outlines who will have an opportunity to speak at the event as well as who will be acknowledged.

There will be no meeting in December and the January meeting will be moved from January 29, 2019 to January 15, 2019 due to the dedication of the Cemetery Marker on MLK Day. The regularly scheduled meetings on the last Tuesday of each month will resume in February.

Councilman Andrews closed the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

This is our report and recommendations to the full council.	
Tre Gammage, Committee Chair	Date