

## 2019 PROJECTS COMPLETED

**December 31, 2019** 

## **Financial Management**

- 1. FY-17 audit and FY-18 single audit Complete April 2019
- 2. FY-20 Budget presentation Complete February 2019

#### **Peter Burr Farm**

- 1. Renew MOU for mowing and use JCPRC and JCHLC Complete June 2019
- 2. Update PBF master plan
- 3. Upgrades and maintenance
  - a. Install grease trap in kitchen
  - b. Install safety railing in barn Complete May10, 2019
  - c. Paint main house East Side Complete June 2019
  - d. Repair roof on barn
  - e. Replace roof on Utility building Complete December 23, 2019
  - f. Repoint chimney on main house  $-\frac{1}{2}$  Completed December 2019
- 4. Archeology collection rehousing
- 5. Creation of a Peter Burr Farm Arboretum
  - a. Create a ten-year plan for evolving on site flora & removal or control of invasive species

#### Snow Hill/Poor Farm

1. Gift, with easement, to Rock Spring Church – Complete December 20, 2019

#### **Duffield's Depot**

- 1. Fundraise for building preservation **Ongoing**
- 2. Engineering study of ground and surface water Complete February 13, 2019
- 3. Apply for WV Development grant for ground water control **Did not apply no matching money**
- 4. Secure the building
  - a. Infill doorway in east wall Complete November 23, 2019
  - b. Repair windows and doors
- 5. Hold public meetings about future use

### **Jefferson County Civil War Battlefield Projects**

- 1. Shepherdstown Battlefield
  - a. Lobby for Antietam National Battlefield boundary expansion
  - b. ABT Park Day April 6, 2019 Completed at the cost of \$550 using 20 volunteers
  - c. Borden Farm Easement **JCFPB project**
  - d. Eyler & Merkham Tracts
    - i. Eyler house demolition Complete April 17, 2019
    - ii. Conservation easement Complete July 31, 2019
  - e. Install Civil War Trails signs at Shepherdstown Battlefield Complete November 12, 2019
  - f. Construct viewing platform off River Rd of the Cement Mill ruins

## 2. Harpers Ferry Historical Park

a. Assist Park in any way possible

## 3. Smithfield Crossing Battlefield

- a. Support Middleway Conservancy efforts
- b. NFM 1 LLC land acquisition
- c. Lake Louise

#### 4. Summit Point Battlefield

- a. Support battlefield friends' group
- b. Magaha easement **JCFPB project**
- c. Kubic property acquisition
- 5. Williamsport Action

# NR projects and documentation of historic sites

- 1. Submit supplemental NR nomination information for any current NR properties Ongoing
- 2. Apply for National Historic Landmark status for JC Courthouse NPS staff visited May 7, 2018 project now in the hands of NPS National Capitol Region.
- 3. NR nomination *McMurran Farm* owner approval April 3, 2018 Nomination development assigned to J. Demer Draft submitted to SHPO February 18, 2019
- 4. The Rocks currently on review WVSHPO
- 5. Research ways of adding HR survey data to database in GIS Office
- 6. Update online information; Maps and database
- 7. Contract for Route 340 NR research and NR nominations
- 8. JCHLC nomination Rose Lawn Awaiting final photo
- 9. Beelers Mill, NR nomination being developed by the owner, based on DOH research report

#### **Education Projects**

- 1. Host a part-time AmeriCorps member, Meaghan Papeika Complete August 21, 2019
- 2. Host a full-time AmeriCorps Member, McKenzie Hitchcock, Started in September 2019
- 3. Renew Memorandum of Understanding with Shepherd U HPPH program MOU on review
- 4. Make Clio entries on historic sites in JC Ongoing
- 5. Seek funding for semi-annual speaker series: Topics include
  - a. Rural Design Standards for Jefferson County
  - b. Adaptive reuse and local zoning
  - c. Adaptive reuse of agricultural structures

# 6. WV GeoExplorer Project

- a. Future for WV GeoExplorer
- b. Funding possibilities for WV GeoExplorer Jefferson County Historical Society APUS

# Morgan's Grove Historic District

- 1. Monitor progress on the Shepherdstown bike path and its impact on historic sites
- 2. Highway marking signs MGHD
- 3. Create a friends group
  - a. Community Club project: Met with SCC Board September 12, 2016
  - b. Rev War Activity Annually in July?
  - c. Corporation of Shepherdstown?

#### **Middleway Historic District**

- 1. Support Middleway Conservancy projects
- 2. Design standards for Middleway Historic District- Draft on review January 2020

# Projects to work on with Engineering, GIS, Planning and Zoning Department

- 1. Delay of demolition ordinance for historic structures
- 2. Sharing a full-time employee with Office of Planning & Zoning

## **Blakeley Easement Project(s)**

- 1. Assign conservation portion of easement to LTEP
  - a. Baseline survey
  - b. Prepare easement in conjunction with LTEP
  - c. Budget for contribution to LTEP stewardship fund, \$2,500 per year for two years

# **Heritage Tourism**

- 1. Lobby for Antietam Battlefield boundary expansion **NOT UNTIL 2020**
- 2. Lobby Corporation of Shepherdstown to create, plan and execute events on the Shepherdstown Battlefield & Packhorse Ford, e.g. Potomac River Walk, reenactments, etc.
- 3. Washington Homes Bus Tour in JC based at Happy Retreat
- 4. Reformat and reprint driving tour brochures Complete March 2019
- 5. Install Civil War Trails signs at Shepherdstown Battlefield Complete November 12, 2019
- 6. Produce a Washington Homes of Jefferson County brochure Complete December 23, 2019
- 7. Produce a 18<sup>th</sup> Fords & Ferries in Jefferson County brochure
- 8. WV Road signage historic districts and battlefields
- 9. Lobby **Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area** to redraw their boundaries to include Shepherdstown and Charles Town
- 10. Signage for bike trails along Civil War troop march routes

## **Fundraising and Grants**

- 1. Establish fundraising committee
- 2. Submit project grants as appropriate-specifically Duffields Depot
- 3. Focus on Our History, Our Community Fund at EWVCF: \$29,042 current balance
  - a. JCHLC Budget line item of \$2,500 every fiscal year -
- 4. Other Designated Funds at EWVCF
  - a. Katherine Burr Jackson fund for the Peter Burr Farm \$13,383.00 current balance
  - b. Reliving History Fund for the Peter Burr Farm \$16,520 current balance

#### **Celebrating Historic Preservation Month - May**

- 1. Start planning a month-long campaign for 2020
  - a. Article in the Observer
  - b. Art show in conjunction with the high schools' art departments
  - c. Two to four lectures
  - d. Fundraising gala

#### **Partnerships**

- 1. Joint meeting with JC Historical Society Planned for March 2020
- 2. Partnering with JCCVB on heritage tourism projects
- 3. Partnering with JCFPB on Farmland (Battlefield) land easements