Culture & Heritage
Board of Commissioners Meeting
March 15, 2016
6:00 PM
Historic Brattonsville, McConnells, SC

Approved: 04-19-2016

Person Presiding: Dale Dove, Co-Chair
Members Present: James Duncan, Jeff Lyon, Craig Lentz, Nancy Craig, Bessie Meeks, Penny Sheppard
Ex Officio Present: Carolyn Mendenhall
Ex Officio Absent: Rick Chacon
Staff Present: Carey Tilley, Barbara Ardrey, Richard Campbell, Kevin Lynch, Steve Fields
Others Present: County Attorney Michael Kendree

Call to Order

Chair Dale Dove called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Dove noted the draft minutes of the February 16, 2016 meeting in the packets and asked for any additions or corrections; hearing none, a vote was taken to approve the minutes as presented and all voted in favor.

Calendar Review

Tilley reviewed the calendar and in particular the items coming up in April.

Dove suggested spreading the calendar out to perhaps include a block for each month and even if there are no items under a certain month, it would make it easier to add information later.

Staff Reports and Information

- Report of Executive Director
  - Tilley offered a quick review of his report in order to allow more time for the presentation of the HB Interpretive Plan.
  - He did point out, however, that the numbers are very good and he gave credit to the hard work and planning on the part of the staff throughout the organization.
    - He noted that monthly visitation for February was up 63% overall from last February and last February was a typical February. He commented that it is an exciting time to be a part of the CHM.

(See full report attached to these minutes as Addendum “A”.)

[Note: Commissioner Sheppard arrived.]

- Presentation of the Historic Brattonsville Interpretive Plan
- Tilley advised that this plan has been approximately 18 years in the making.
- The plan was presented by Tilley and HB Site Manager, Kevin Lynch. In addition, Carolyn Mendenhall gave an interesting first-hand account of some of the background of promoting Brattonsville and the restoration of the Homestead since the early 1960's. Commissioner Bessie Meeks also shared her family connection to Brattonsville.
- Questions were addressed following the presentation.
- The Historic Brattonsville Interpretive Plan in its entirety is included on the CHM website's Governance page and is included in the Commission Book. A copy will be kept with the official minutes.

[Chair Dove announced that there would be a ten-minute break.]

The meeting was reconvened at 7:37 pm.

Committee Reports

- Finance Committee
  - Treasurer's Report
    - Treasurer Nancy Craig advised that the Finance Committee met last week. She noted that they reviewed the income and the expenditures and everything seems in order. Craig stated that the Budget Amendment made at the last meeting was not posted in the February Financial Statement but it will be next month.
  - Budget Dates
    - Craig advised that it is imperative that the Commission passes the budget at our April 19 meeting to give the County time to incorporate it into their budget which is to be presented to the Council at its first meeting in May. Three readings by the Council are required to pass the budget.
    - Working draft needs to be presented to the Finance Committee to be worked out before the Commission meeting.
    - Dove suggested that the Finance Committee meet as soon as possible on this to give the Commission time to hold a special called meeting before the 19th if needed.

- Collections Committee
  - Recommendation(s) for Accession / Deaccession
    - Committee Chair Craig Lentz noted that there were seven items to be presented for Accession as follows:
      - Iridium sample / fallout sediment from meteorite impact, donated by John Sinclair (No TC#)
      - Two flags (US and State) donated by John Boyd (TC 91)
      - Three items from the Bobby Gilmer Moss collection in our possession but now being formally accessioned. (1999.076.001) (1996.076 – SEPT2001) and (L2010.010)
      - Local newspapers and periodicals – complete issues on special events that occurred. Donor William Grem (TC 93)
      - 1934 flyer. Donors Michelle and Edward Moore (TC 94)
Lentz made a motion to accept the above items for accession as recommended; Duncan seconded; no further discussion; a vote was taken and all voted in favor; the motion passed unanimously.

*(See copies of the seven Recommendations attached collectively to these minutes as Addendum “B”)*

- Governance Committee
  - Process & Form for Director’s Performance Appraisal
    - The first item was the form used for the Executive Director’s performance appraisal. Duncan noted that copies of the revised form had been handed out at the February meeting and the only suggested change came from Bessie Meeks who asked that the order of the rating scale be reversed to start with the highest score of 5. That change was made and no further feedback was received by the Committee Chair. Revised copies were handed out. Duncan further noted that he already checked with Michael Kendree and Lisa Davidson to be sure this was proper. The following motion was then made.

Duncan moved to accept the form as the Executive Director’s annual appraisal report; Nancy Craig seconded; Jeff Lyon noted one change in that #4 states “exceeds expectations” whereas #5 notes “always meets expectations”. It was decided to switch the words used in the second part of #4 and the second part of #5. (#4 would read “Consistently meets/achieves expectations” and #5 would read “Always meets/exceeds expectations”). After further general discussion, a vote was taken and the motion as amended to accept this form was passed unanimously.

- The second item involved the evaluation process to be used. Duncan noted that it was decided by the Committee that shortening the process time (starting in May rather than April) would give a more accurate reflection on the Director’s performance for the year.

Duncan moved that we add this process to the calendar as follows: May is the Executive Director’s self-assessment presented to the Board during the May meeting and then at that meeting we will also hand out the blank approved annual appraisal forms; before the June Governance Committee meeting, all appraisal forms need to be completed and returned to the Committee Chair; and then between that Governance meeting and the June monthly CHC meeting, the Committee Chair will compile the results and present those results at the June meeting. Craig Lentz seconded the motion; discussion; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- Staggering Terms
  - The next matter concerned staggering terms for the Culture & Heritage Commissioners. Different options used by other Commissions were reviewed. Duncan advised that the Commission would approve whatever option they decide on and present that to County Council and County Council would still need to amend the Ordinance that currently sets the term limits. The staggered terms concept was agreeable to everyone.

Attorney Kendree explained that we would need to define the transition process in the Ordinance and then Council would sign off on it. It could be they designate three people to expire in 2017 and extend the terms of four sitting members for four years so they expire in 2019; then when the two year people reinstated, they’ll have a four-year term. Discussion ensued resulting in following motion:
Duncan made a motion to amend the term limits of the Culture & Heritage Commissioners to 3-year terms, staggered, with a maximum term limit of two and present that to County Council for approval; Sheppard seconded; no further discussion; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- Joint Recommendation with Finance Committee on CHM Position Changes for 2016-2017 (Executive Session)

Duncan then moved to adjourn to Executive Session for personnel matters; Lyon seconded; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Session**

- Discussion of Personnel Matters related to the CHM Positions for 2016-17

**Reconvene to Open Session**

Chair Dale Dove announced that the meeting was back in open session and that as a result of Executive Session, the following recommendation is being made by the Executive Director.

Tilley recommends to the Commission the following changes which will give him direction in proceeding with the Organizational Chart and the budget:

- **At MYCO add ten (10) hours to one (1) interpretive position;**
- **At MYCO reclassify a visitor services retail position as a visitor services coordinator position;**
- **AT MSCM add ten (10) hours to one (1) Early Childhood Educator position currently at eighteen (18) hours;**
- **AT MSCM add two (2) eighteen (18) hour Visitor Service Retail Assistant positions.**

Additional changes being recommended include:

- **Reclassify the Volunteer Resource Manager as full-time Development Director, incorporating the volunteer duties into that Development Director job;**
- **Add twelve (12) hours to the Development Assistant position, moving it from part-time to full-time; and**
- **Add a full-time interpreter at HB with a volunteer focus.**

As a point of clarification, Dove noted that these changes have budget implications that would affect the new budget not the current budget.

Dove asked for a motion to approve the recommendations of the Executive Director; Lyon so moved; Duncan seconded; no discussion; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
Old Business

- Institutional Planning update
  - Moving forward with Stakeholders meetings.
  - Step 1 is completed – preparing document.
  - One more staff meeting.
  - Copy of revised document will be sent out to Commissioners before Retreat.

- Email Service
  - Lyon advised that County will not provide accounts for commission members.
  - Recommendation is to go with a third-party like “Go Daddy” to get our own domain name at a cost of $142 a year plus an additional $15 a year for the yet to be determined domain name.

Dove asked Lyon for a motion that the Commission take that route and that Lyon take the lead in making that happen. Lyon agreed with the stipulation that he not be responsible for maintenance forever.

Lyon moved that we go forward with getting our own email service through a third-party like Go Daddy with our own email accounts and domain name; Duncan seconded; discussion; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- Conveyance of Catawba River and Christopher Circle Properties to County
  - Property acquired through Settlement Agreement
  - Kendree gave explanation as to Christopher Circle property and noted that should those three lots be sold, the money will go to the Foundation for the Carolinas to be used for our capital projects.

Dove entertained a motion that the Board authorize himself as Chair and Tilley as Executive Director to execute deeds to carry out the responsibility of deeding the property on the Catawba River and the Christopher Circle property to York County; Lentz so moved; Duncan seconded; all voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- Carolina Thread Trail
  - Tilley noted that CHC has drafted a contract with Nation Ford Land Trust for an easement (which will need to be approved jointly with the County).
  - It is an unfinished document until Nation Ford Land Trust signs off on it.

Dove entertained a motion encouraging the County Council to approve the Carolina Thread Trail going through the 60 acres on the Catawba River, assuming the contract meets with their requirements; Lentz so moved; Duncan seconded; all voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- Enterprise Fund
  - Tilley explained that this Fund was established years ago to help with projects that generate income and what we’ve been doing is replenishing the initial investment with money earned from the project.
o Tilley introduced Steve Fields who noted that his idea is to compile the nature articles that he has written over the years for YC Magazine into a book and he would like to propose that the CHC fund this project.

o His idea is to produce 1,000 copies (perfect bound with glossy cover) at a cost of $5.00 a copy and then sell the books for $10 to $15 each.

o Tilley noted that this is a good learning tool in addition to generating revenue and he strongly recommends that we commit $5,000 from the Enterprise Fund for this project.

Nancy Craig made the following motion from the Finance Committee that $5,000 from the Enterprise Fund be used to help finance the publishing of articles written by Steve Fields for York County Magazine into a book form plus appropriate promotional expenses; Duncan seconded; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- Temporary Historian Position
  - Our Historian, Michael Scoggins, has expressed concern that he needs more help with the Moss Collection.
  - Tilley is proposing that we hire a temporary historian assistant at $12.50 an hour for a total of 240 hours - the cost would be $3,000. Someone has already offered to pay $1,500 as a grant towards this and Michael has the rest in his departmental budget. We do understand that there may be some incidental expenses connected with this also.

Nancy Craig made the following motion from Finance to hire a temporary assistant to help our CHM Historian with the Bobby Moss Collection pending consistency with HR policies. The cost is approximately $3,000 and funding sources have been identified; Lyon seconded; Tilley asked that the motion be amended to include the hourly rate of $12.50 for a total of 240 hours; Craig and Lyon agreed to the amendment as stated; further discussion followed; a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The Chair noted that unless anyone has any objections, the meeting is adjourned.

Prepared by: Barbara Ardrey
Submitted by: Nancy Craig, Secretary/Treasurer
Addendum A

Culture and Heritage Museums
Director’s Report
March 15th, 2016

Mission: to communicate and preserve the natural and cultural histories of the Carolina Piedmont, inspiring a lifetime of learning.

CHC Commissioners,
I would like to thank you once again for your service on the Culture and Heritage Commission. February has been an uncharacteristically busy month for visitation. Work behind the scenes continues with budget preparation, institutional planning, and preliminary work in preparation for capital projects.

On-site Visitation - Strong Visitation Growth Trend Accelerates in February
The total number of visitors to our sites through the end of February was in excess of 60,000 – up 14% overall from last year at this time and 23% above the average of the previous three years. While the growth at Historic Brattonsville (HB) continues to be solid at 5%, the catalysts continue to be the Museum of York County (MYCO) (up 22%) and the Main Street Children’s Museum (MSCM) (up 19%). February was a particularly strong month with every site up by 40% or more over February of 2015 and an overall monthly increase of 63%.

Year-to-Date Visitation Totals through February 29th

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As our initial post reached over 100,000, it became an “all hands on deck” effort. Without the event MYCO would have already been up more than 11% over last February; however, Harry Potter Science Saturday pushed the increase to 87%. The total amount spent on paid advertising - $0.

Southern Sound Series
The 27th was a busy day for the museums with a near-capacity audience at the McElvey Center to hear Rhiannon Giddens, Bhi Bhiman, and Leyla McCalla present “Swimming in Dark Waters: Other Voices of the American Experience”. Ms. Giddens, formerly of the Grammy-winning Carolina Chocolate Drops, is a native of the Carolina Piedmont and was strongly influenced by the string music of our region. This critically acclaimed show was recently featured in the New York Times following their performance at the Lincoln Center. Around 480 guests packed the Lowry Family Theater at McElvey. Our next concert featuring *Drew Holcomb and the Neighbors* is scheduled for March 19th.

Leap Into Spring
Our newest exhibition in the Springs Gallery, “Leap into Spring” featuring spring-inspired art by Vernon Grant, opens March 19th. The opening will be celebrated with *Leap Frogs and Hoppy Toads*, a family event with games, contests, and a special appearance by Glenn the Frog. Continuing on the spring theme, an exhibit featuring the posters from the “Come See Me” festival throughout the years will open in the Vernon Grant Gallery on the same day. Entries in a kids coloring contest will be hung in the auditorium.

Children’s Day on the Farm
Our largest annual single-day event of the year will take place on March 26th at Historic Brattonsville. Children’s Day on the Farm provides an opportunity to experience 18th and 19th century farm life. With cooperative weather, this event generally yields over 1,000 guests. The day features children’s activities, animals, wagon rides, music, food and more in the historic setting of the Bratton family plantation. Sheep Shearing Day, a second spring event that has grown in popularity over the past few years is scheduled at Historic Brattonsville for April 9th.

Historic Brattonsville Capital Projects
With funding approved, we are finally ready to start moving forward with our Phase I projects at Historic Brattonsville. The Request for Proposals/Qualifications has been reviewed and is undergoing final edits. It should be sent to the County Purchasing Department by the end of the week. We have received bids for the work on the 1780 Farm Interpretive Manual and have selected a consultant. We are working with the Foundation for the Carolinas to make sure that they have the proper documentation of the bid that they require before releasing funds. Proposal documents for other projects are in various states of readiness and should move forward more quickly in the coming months.

AAM Reaccreditation
With the recent additions to the Commission, it is important to recap our efforts towards reaccreditation from the American Alliance of Museums (AAM). As we have discussed in previous meetings, museum accreditation through AAM is a high honor. It is very difficult to obtain and it is reserved to those museums that meet all of the rigid standards established by the Alliance. This is a voluntary program and no institution would be penalized for not being accredited. Since 2006 we have been one of only eleven museums in the state to be distinguished in this way. To retain accreditation, accredited museums are required to go through a review process once every ten years. The reaccreditation process is just as rigorous as the initial round. In November, the AAM Accreditation Commission deferred or “tabled”
**Culture and Heritage Museums**  
**Recent and Upcoming Programs and Events**

**Recent Programs and Events (February 1st through March 15th)**

- February 3rd  @ MSCM Wee Wednesdays (Recurs every Wednesday until Summer)
- February 6th  @ HB By Way of the Back Door (Each Saturday in February)
- February 6th  @ MYCO Beginning Birders Workshop
- February 6th  @ MYCO Super Bowl Scavenger Hunt
- February 9th  @ MYCO Carolina Skygazers (Monthly)
- February 13th @ MYCO Backyard Bird Count
- February 13th & 14th @ MSCM Happy Heart’s Day
- February 17th @ MYCO Homeschool Days: Coyotes, Beavers, & Bears
- February 20th @ HB Horseback Riding on Walt Schrader Trails (Monthly)
- February 27th @ MYCO Harry Potter Science Saturday
- February 27th @ McCelvey Rhiannon Giddens (Southern Sound Series)
- March 6th  @ MSCM Seuss-a-thon
- March 8th  @ MYCO Carolina Skygazers (Monthly)

- 64 School Programs took place between February 1st and March 15th (42 Different Schools)

**Upcoming Programs and Events (March 16th through April 30th)**

- March 16th  @ MYCO Homeschool Days: Rangers of the 400-Acre Wood
- March 16th  @ MSCM Wee Wednesdays (Recurs every Wednesday until Summer)
- March 19th  @ MYCO Leap Frog and Happy Toad
- March 19th  @ HB Horseback Riding on Walt Schrader Trails (Monthly)
- March 19th  @ McCelvey Drew Holcomb and the Neighbors (Southern Sound Series)
- March 23rd  @ Outreach Bleachery Discovery Day (Historical Center Program)
- March 26th  @ HB Children’s Day on the Farm
- April 7th   @ MSCM Spring Break Camp
- April 9th   @ HB - Sheep Shearing Day
- April 16th  @ MSCM Main Street is Hopping
- April 20th  @ MSCM Froggy Friends
- April 30th  @ MYCO Earth Day Birthday
- April 30th  @ McCelvey Iris Dement (Southern Sound Series)

- 89 School Programs are scheduled between March 16th and April 30th (67 Different Schools)
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID:  
Collection Type: Natural history – geology  
Method of Acquisition: Donation

Name of Donor:  
John Sinclair

Description of Accession:  
Sample of iridium sediment from the “K-T Boundary” (global fallout sediment from the meteorite impact associated with the dinosaur extinction 65 million years ago). The samples were collected by the donor in Starkville, Las Animas County, Colorado.

Overall Condition:  □ Excellent  □ Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection  
Small, cuboidal sample (1" x ½" x ¾")

Significance/Ownership History  
Mission Rating: 4 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

Specific reasons for recommending the accession of the object(s):  
Although this sample comes from the American West, the fallout from the meteorite impact was global (the sediment layer is exposed at numerous places around the world). The resulting mass extinction killed off the dinosaurs and over 70% of all life on earth, including Carolina Piedmont flora and fauna.

Potential Uses:  □ Research  □ Exhibition  □ Loan

Explanation of Use: the sample will be retained as a “proxy voucher” as evidence of the meteorite fallout that would have affected the Carolina Piedmont and precipitated the demise of regional dinosaurs.

Restrictions:  
Use only for research and secured exhibition (two other samples are available for education and hands-on usage).

Unusual Costs:  
N/A
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID: TC 91
Collection Type: History
Method of Acquisition: Gift

Name of Donor: John Boyd

Description of Accession:
1. United States of America flag
2. South Carolina state flag

Overall Condition: □ Excellent x Good □ Fair □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
Both items are the typical size of a flag.

Significance/Ownership History

These flags were originally gifted to York Place, formally the Episcopal Church Home for Children, in York, SC. The Episcopal Church Home for Children was an orphanage established in 1850 by the Episcopal Diocese of SC in Charleston, SC and in 1909 moved to the former site of The Kings Mountain Military Academy in York. The Home operated as an orphanage until around the 1970s and a number of its residence attended local York schools and some even settled in the area.

It was in the 1970s that the institution became known as York Place and became one of the first care and treatment centres for emotionally disturbed children in South Carolina. In June of 2013, York Place merged with Thompson Child & Family Focus who continued to operate the site as a location for psychiatric care for young children as well as assistance to single mothers with substance abuse issues and their children. Unfortunately, in 2015, Thompson decided to close the facility in York and concentrate on its location in Fort Mill.

The donor, a former member of the Board of Trustees for York Place, was given the flags when the facility closed in Summer 2015. He and other staff wished to see them saved and preserved as part of the institution’s legacy in South Carolina.

The United States of America flag has a certificate that acknowledges that this specific flag was flown over the US Capitol Building on April 1, 2005 at the request of Henry E. Brown, Jr., a South Carolina Congressman, “in honor of the York Place Children’s Home...” and was gifted to the home by Irene and Bob Bell.

The South Carolina flag came with a donation acknowledgement slip from December 21, 1973 thanking the Honorable Strom Thurmond for the donation of the flag to the Episcopal Church Home for Children.

Potential Uses: □ Research ■ Exhibition ■ Loan
These items could easily be used for an exhibit about York Place or the City of York and its members. There is also a potential that it could be used in an exhibit that might reference politicians and their involvement/interaction in the region.

Restrictions:
None

Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):

Director Recommends (Signature):

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on:
Signature, Title:
Date:
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

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Name of Donor:

Bobby Gilmer Moss

Description of Accession:

Letter from J. Meek McGill to Attorneys Butler & Hall regarding bankruptcy typed on letterhead for the J.N. McGill’s Sons Co. of Hickory Grove dated February 5, 1923.

This letter was donated between 1999 and 2001 as part of the Bobby Moss Collection. At the time a gift agreement was not signed but it was considered part of the 1999.076 accession and assigned the number 1999.076.001. To complete the legal paperwork a gift agreement will be signed by Catherine Moss.

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection

The archival donation fits into 1 folder.

Significance/Ownership History

Mission Rating: 5 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

Specific reasons for recommending the accession of the object(s):
Dr. Bobby Gilmer Moss (1932-2015) was a resident of Cherokee County, SC, taught history at Limestone College, and wrote or co-authored over 30 books on local and regional history. He was one of the foremost scholars on the Southern Campaigns of the American Revolution and did a great deal of original research. The first donation of Dr. Moss’s collection was made in 1999 and acquisition of the collection has been ongoing since then.

History:
J.N. McGill & Sons of Hickory Grove, SC was in business by 1900. On the 1900 census, John Newman McGill (1850-1918) was listed as “merchandiser”. According to newspaper ads, the store sold dry goods, furniture, groceries, clothing, hardware, farming implements, buggies, wagons, feed stuff, and fertilizers. Following his death, newspaper ads identify the store as J.N. McGill’s Sons Co. By February of 1923, his son James Meek McGill (1878-1966) filed for bankruptcy. Notices and articles in the Yorkville Enquirer reveal that John N. McGill died intestate and his estate had not been settled. He had six heirs with equal interest in the firm with only J. Meek McGill holding any real property. Creditors of John N. McGill were seeking payment and so all heirs declared bankruptcy. All properties owned by the firm (including real estate) as well as the property and real estate owned by J. Meek McGill was sold at auction on April 2, 1923 to settle claims.

John Newman McGill (1850-1918) married Margaret Jane Whitesides (1849-1905) and had six children. He is buried in the ARP Churchyard in Smyrna.

From 1908 to 1921, J. Meek McGill ran the Hickory Grove Post Office from the J.N. McGill store.
Potential Uses: X Research  □ Exhibition  □ Loan

Explanation of Use:
The archival materials will be available for research. They contain information useful to genealogists and may be helpful for writing a history of area businesses for a publication.

Restrictions:
None

Unusual Costs:
None

Banner Buggies

J. N. McGILL'S SONS CO.
General Merchants and Painters

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title): Nancy Daniels, Archivist  2-29-2016

Director Recommends (Signature): 3/1/16

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on: 3-15-2016

Signature, Title: 03/29/16

[Signature]
RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION

Temporary Custody ID: 1996.076-SEPT2001  Collection Type: Archival  Method of Acquisition: Donation

Name of Donor: Bobby Gilmer Moss

Description of Accession:
153 rare books includes 122 volumes of the Pennsylvania Archives series, 8 volumes of miscellaneous Pennsylvania histories, and 23 volumes of the North Carolina Colonial and State Records series. These books were donated on September 14 and 21, 2001, as part of the Bobby Moss Collection. At the time a gift agreement was not signed but it was considered part of the 1999.076 accession. To complete the legal paperwork a gift agreement will be signed by Catherine Moss. CHM had the Pennsylvania books rebound but the North Carolina books are still in original condition.

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
Pennsylvania books comprise 9 ½ shelves in the SRWI. The North Carolina books comprise 3 ½ shelves in the SRWI.

Significance/Ownership History  Mission Rating: 5  (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)
Dr. Bobby Gilmer Moss (1932-2015) was a resident of Cherokee County, SC, taught history at Limestone College, and wrote or co-wrote over 30 books on local and regional history. He was one of the foremost scholars on the Southern Campaigns of the American Revolution and did a great deal of original research, documenting SC soldiers of the Revolution and important battles in SC like Kings Mountain and Cowpens. The Bobby Gilmer Moss Collection contains thousands of primary and secondary sources on the American Revolution, particularly the Southern Campaigns, including books, journals, periodicals, PhD dissertations, microfilm, research files, maps, and other material. An original gift agreement with CHM was signed in 1999 and acquisition of the collection has been ongoing since then. The Moss Collection forms the core of the Southern Revolutionary War Institute and is one of the most comprehensive and important collections of Revolutionary War source material in the US. The Moss Collection also includes books on US history, SC history, the Southern backcountry and Carolina Piedmont, Scotland, Ireland, England, and related materials.

Potential Uses: X Research  □ Exhibition  □ Loan
These books are used for research on colonial history, Revolutionary War history, state history, regional history, family history, and genealogy.

Restrictions:
None
Unusual Costs:
None

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Signature, Title: Candy J. Tolley  Date: 03/29/16
**RECOMMENDATION FOR ACCESSION**

**Temporary Custody ID:** L2010.010  
**Collection Type:** Archival  
**Method of Acquisition:** Donation

**Name of Donor:** Bobby Gilmer Moss

**Description of Accession:**
CHM received these books in March 2010 as a loan from Dr. Moss. As per Dr. Moss’s wishes, the items were to remain on loan until after his death, at which time they would become a gift and formally accessioned as part of CHM’s permanent collections. Dr. Moss passed away in August 2015 and his widow, Mrs. Catherine Moss, is now ready to convert this loan into a permanent gift. The collection consists of 138 hardback and paperback books, mostly relating to the Southern Campaigns of the American Revolution.

**Overall Condition:** □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

**General/Comparable Size of Collection**
138 books. These have been inventoried, cataloged, assigned Library of Congress numbers, and have been integrated into the library of the Southern Revolutionary War Institute.

**Significance/Ownership History**

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**Mission Rating:** 5 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

**Potential Uses:** X Research  □ Exhibition  □ Loan

These books are used for research on colonial history, Revolutionary War history, state history, regional history, family history, and genealogy.

**Restrictions:** None.

**Unusual Costs:** None.
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Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title): Michael Acocella, Historian Date: 2 March 2016

Director Recommends (Signature): Date: 3/3/16

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**Name of Donor:**
William Greim

**Description of Accession:**

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**Overall Condition:** □ Excellent □ Good X Fair □ Poor

**General/Comparable Size of Collection**

All 6 issues and 1 periodical will fit into 1 newspaper box (18" x 13" x 3")

**Significance/Ownership History**

Mission Rating: 5 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)

Specific reasons for recommending the accession of the object(s):

We do not have these issues in the newspaper collection and would like to have them for research purposes. The 1985 papers are special issues providing historical information on people, places, and significant events in the local area, the 1989 periodical covers Hurricane Hugo, the 1998 issue is about the closing of the Bleachery and the 1999 and 2000 issues are focused on Y2K and the beginning of a new century. The 2002 “Keepsake Edition” is a complete edition of Rock Hill’s Sesquicentennial. We only have partial copies of this paper.

**Potential Uses:** X Research □ Exhibition □ Loan

**Explanation of Use:**
Newspapers are considered a primary source and these issues contain historical information that will be useful for patrons and staff researching York County’s past.

**Restrictions:**
None
Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title): Nancy Tambeto, Archivist

Date: 3-3-16

Director Recommends (Signature):

Date: 3-4-16

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on: 3-15-2016

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Name of Donor:
Michelle and Edward Moore

Description of Accession:
1934 flyer for a public program at the City Auditorium in York, SC

Overall Condition: □ Excellent  X Good  □ Fair  □ Poor

General/Comparable Size of Collection
Item will fit into one 8 ½ x 14 inch acid free folder

Significance/Ownership History  Mission Rating: 5 (Scale of 1 – 5; 5 matches mission 100%)
Specific reasons for recommending the accession of the object(s):
The owner Edward Moore obtained this flyer from his cousin, Wylie (a Presbyterian minister) when she died in 2008. Wylie’s mother Caroline Beard Moore Smith (1913-1965) was in the play as well as other family relatives. Caroline is the sister of Edward’s father Be Neely Moore (1919 - ). They and 3 other siblings are the children of Paul Neely Moore (1883-1929) and Caroline Wells Beard (1886-1943). Paul served as the mayor of York for a short time and growing up he lived at 109 North Congress Street.

The flyer is not only useful for its family history but also with its connections to York’s City Hall completed in 1922 and later demolished in 1983. Located on East Liberty Street it was about 50 feet wide and 90 feet long. According to the Yorkville Enquirer, the first floor housed offices of town officials such as town clerk and treasurer, the board of public works, chief of police and a council chamber for ordinary sessions of police court as well as quarters for the fire department. A large auditorium on the second floor held 492 seats and the floor was steeply inclined with a stage of 20 by 25 feet. There were two dressing rooms, a trunk room for use by theatrical companies, and restroom facilities. Town authorities would rent the space to theatrical companies and to local citizens. This flyer is evidence of the auditorium’s use for a play by the residents of York in April of 1934.

Potential Uses: X Research  □ Exhibition  □ Loan

Explanation of Use:
This flyer is useful for researching Caroline Beard Moore family history and also York City Hall’s auditorium built in 1922.

Restrictions:
None
Want to Laugh? See... The COLLEGE FLAPPER

April 1-2

CITY HALL AUDITORIUM
Wednesday and Thursday

Show starts at 8:15 p.m. - Adults 60c, children 25c. Reserved seats on sale at Shubert Drug Store beginning Tuesday morning, March 31, at 9 a.m.

150 Prominent New York People & Characters
180 Popular Songs & Numbers

Unusual Costs:
None

Staff Recommendation (Signature & Title):
Nancy Lambert, Archivist
Date: 3-3-16

Director Recommends (Signature):
Date: 3/4/16

Approved by Culture & Heritage Commission on: 3-15-2016
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