

MINUTES
Town of Southern Pines Historic District Commission
Regular Meeting
September 11, 2025 at 4:00 PM

The Town of Southern Pines Historic District Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 4:00 PM at the E.S. Douglass Community Center, 1185 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Members present: Chair Elizabeth Oettinger, Karl Ecker and Sarah Farrell.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

The Minutes of the August 2025 meeting could not be approved due to the lack of a quorum of members.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nomination of Our Lady of Victory Parish to the National Register of Historic Places

Planner Mason Mattox provided an overview of the process required by the Underrepresented Communities Grant and shared a history of the building of the building now known as the E.S. Douglass Community Center.

The members felt that it was important to Southern Pines to have the building added to the National Register.

Mason shared the applicable criteria. The consultants chose Criteria A and C. The second category is historic integrity – could it be recognized as a historical structure.

PUBLIC HEARING

HD-19-25 Certificate of Appropriateness - Major Work; Downtown Park

Darren Johnson, Facilities Superintendent has requested a Certificate of Appropriateness – Major Work to replace the existing light poles seven (7) new 50-foot light poles adjacent to the existing tennis courts in the Downtown Park.

The public hearing was continued to the October 9, 2025 regular meeting due to the lack of a quorum.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mattox stated that the CLG training will be held on October 3, 2025 at the E.S. Douglass Community Center and shared the draft agenda for the event.

The meeting ended at 4:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Williams
Secretary to the Historic District Commission

An audio recording of the proceedings is available upon request.