

MINUTES

General Meeting
Restoration Advisory Board
November 17, 1997

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Turner, Ron Levy, Mark Anderson, Pete Conroy, Barry Cox, Don Cunningham, Jerome Elser, Mary Harrington, Ron Hood, Mayor Kimbrough, Margarette Longstreth, Alan Faust, Jimmy Parks

BASE CLEANUP TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bart Reedy

I. CALL TO ORDER. Mr. Conroy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. The meeting minutes of October 20, 1997 were approved by the RAB.

III. GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATION.

Mr. Tim Rice from the Directorate of Environment at Fort McClellan, Alabama, presented an overview on the cultural resource programmatic agreement between the Advisory Counsel for Historic Preservation the Alabama State Historic Preservation Office, and the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command. Mr. Rice stated that Fort McClellan contains three historic districts comprised of eighty-eight structures that are eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and forty-five archaeological sites that are potentially eligible for the Register. Mr. Rice explained that the programmatic agreement helps to insure protection of these sites in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Mr. Rice also explained that Fort McClellan has invited the Local Reuse Authority, the Anniston Historic Preservation Commission and interested Native American Tribes to act as consulting parties on the agreement. Mr. Levy stated that upon transfer of the property, it is the Army's responsibility to insure covenants are placed in the deeds for the historic properties. Mr. Levy also explained that there were provisions within the agreement that allow for new owners to consult with the State in regard to any alteration of the historic properties.

Mr. Chris Hill from Jacksonville State University presented a briefing on the findings of Phase I archaeological surveys at Fort McClellan. Mr. Hill stated that Phase I surveys have identified forty-five sites on the Main Post that will require Phase II-A investigations. Mr. Hill explained that Phase II-A investigations will delineate and define the boundaries of these sites and determine NRHP eligibility. Sites deemed eligible will undergo a Phase II-B investigation which includes placement of strategic test units to

determine the significance of the site. Mr. Levy stated again that sites found to be eligible for the NRHP will be protected by deed covenants as prescribed in the programmatic agreement. Mr. Hill concluded his presentation with a slide show depicting archaeological findings during Phase I surveys.

VI. REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Charter and Membership. No report.

Community Relations. No report.

VI. OLD BUSINESS.

January Meeting Location. Mr. Levy asked Mayor Kimbrough if Weaver's new facility would be completed in time for the RAB to hold their January meeting in Weaver. Mayor Kimbrough was unable to make an absolute commitment, but was pretty sure that it would be ready. Ms. Kingsbury stated that the meeting location will be confirmed and announced in the meeting notice and agenda.

Asbestos/Lead Based Paint/Radon. Mr. Levy read aloud the Department of Defense's (DOD's) policy memorandum on asbestos and restated DOD's policy on lead based paint and radon.

NEW BUSINESS.

Generic Plans. Mr. Levy stated that the Army's contractor International Technology Corporation has prepared the generic Draft Installation-Wide Work Plan and Installation-Wide Sampling and Analysis Plan. He stated that these documents are available to the RAB for review upon request.

Site-Specific Plans. Mr. Levy stated that the Draft Site-Specific Field Sampling Plan, Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan, and Site-Specific Work Plan for the environmental characterization of the Security Operational Test Site, Range K, and the Former Anniston Army Shell Tapping Area on Pelham Range are available to the RAB for review upon request.

Guest Speaker Presentation for January. Mr. Levy asked the RAB if they would be interested in having Mr. Larry Bryant from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management speak on the Range Rule at the next general meeting of the RAB.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.