

Local Landmark Designation for the William Nelson Camp Jr. House

Owner/Applicant: Patricia and Paul J. Samuals
Subject Property: 92 Flat Top Mountain Road
Hearing Date: November 9, 2011
PIN: 9697.12-1146

The HRC adopted the following FINDINGS:

1. That notice of a public hearing on this designation was published in the Asheville Citizen-Times on the 30th day of October, 2011, and that all owners of real property situated within 200 feet were notified of this hearing by mail on the 28th day of October, 2011.
2. That at this hearing, the applicant and the public were all given the opportunity to offer oral and documentary evidence to the Historic Resources Commission members.
3. The William Nelson Camp Jr. House is located at 92 Flat Top Mountain Road in Fairview, North Carolina.
4. The designation includes the exterior of the main house, water storage building, garage, ca. 1926, caretakers cottage, two spring houses and barn as well as the entire 9.73 acre parcel historically associated with this property and identified on the tax map with PIN: 9697.12.1146. The designation also includes the granite steps leading to the main house, granite outcroppings, boxwoods and the stone foundation of the electric generating facility.
5. The William Nelson Camp House Jr. House was individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places on December 17, 1998.
6. The William Nelson Camp Jr. House, constructed in 1926, is significant in the area of architecture as a highly intact example of Rustic style of architecture popular in the tourism industry in the early part of the 20th century. The property contains a collection of Rustic style buildings constructed of native materials, situated within a picturesque mountain setting.
7. The first floor of the William Nelson Camp Jr. House was altered under a tax credit application in 2002, which involved the enclosure of the original open storage and utility area off the kitchen to create the back hall, half bath and utility room and the creation of a Master suite, which involved the addition of French doors, closets and enlargement of the master bath. Other previous changes to the property include the addition of a porch roof in the 1950's.
8. Other additions to the property include a new cabin, which was constructed on the property in 1996, a gazebo in 2007 and a storage shed in 2009; all of which are not contributing to the significance of the site.
9. Based upon the foregoing reasons, the Historic Resources Commission of Asheville & Buncombe County finds that the William Nelson Camp Jr. is significant in terms of its special historical, architectural or cultural significance; that the structure **does** possess integrity of design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling, and/or association. Based upon the

foregoing, the Historic Resources Commission recommends that the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners **adopt** an ordinance designating the William Nelson Camp Jr. as a local historic landmark.