

MINUTES
MASON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Thursday, June 9, 2011

Mason County Building I, Conference Room

Members Present: Stanley Graham, Marty Harrell, Stephanie Neil, Rick Calvin and Elizabeth Jahnke.

Vacant Seats: 2

Staff: Michael MacSems, Mason County

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Graham, Chair, at 2:00pm. Reviewed, corrected and approved the Minutes from the May 12, 2011 Meeting.

II. New Business

Ms Neil gave a brief report regarding the "Mason County League of Women Study of County Advisory Boards", dated May 2011. Document given to staff for filing with MCHPC papers.

Public Hearing: Lively discussion of Mr. Graham's Application (on behalf of the MCHPC) to have the Kamilchie Cemetery added to the MC Register of Historic Places. Motion made and passed to move forward with the Application. Staff will present the Commission's recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.

III. Old Business

Appreciation Gifts for past members will be presented at the Grant School on July 14, 2011, where the MCHPC will hold their regularly scheduled meeting. Mr. Graham will write an email to the recipients.

MCHPC will present a sign/plaque to the Grant School and make a presentation regarding the Grant Program and future projects during next MCHPC meeting. Meeting will be held at the school.

Website was discussed. MCHPC had some suggestions to make some changes and updates to the MCHPC website. New pictures of current members need to be taken to replace the ones on the website. Mr. MacSems will take the pictures at the conclusion of the meeting.

It was suggested that the video of the Five-Year Anniversary Celebration needs to be moved to the side from the automatic play mode that it is in now.

It was suggested that the public meeting held by Mildred Andrews of the Hwy 101 Survey needs to be added as a link on the side, as well.

Grant Application will be updated with date of approval of the County Commissioners. Mr. Calvin will make this update and get the form to Mr. MacSems for inclusion on the website.

Suggestion was also made that a picture of the signs/plaques be included on the website to garner interest.

All MCHPC members decided that all of our forms should be writable enabled to make it easier for the public to use and fill out. Mr. MacSems will check with County IT staff to find out what is needed to make that happen. MCHPC will hire someone to create such forms. Mr. MacSems will report back to commission via email.

It was suggested that MCHPC needs to advertise on the website the need for 2 members.

Signs/Plaques: Mr. Calvin and Mr. Graham came up with the brilliant idea to add 2 boxes to the Register Application. One box would have "Register" beside it and the other would have "Plaque" beside it. This is a way to have a "2-tiered" program in order to include more properties that may not meet full Register criteria. The Plaques will be ready soon to mail out to interested property owners from the Hwy. 101 Survey. Letters to solicit interest in the plaques for those property owners were to be signed by Mr. Graham after today's meeting.

Hwy 3 Survey Project: Ms Neil looked at a map dated 1938 to check on original/older roads along the route of Hwy 3. She also looked at maps from the 1950's and 1960's. She will bring maps-old and new-to compare to present roadway at next meeting. Mr. Graham will bring a projector from the museum so that all can view the maps that she presents.

Cemeteries: Ms Neil found a list of approx. 30 cemeteries that are listed on the DAHP website. She discovered that 2 of those have boards.... Belfair and Shelton. Most of the others are private. She will bring the list to the MCHPC July 14th meeting for discussion.

IV. Other Commission Discussion

Correspondence:

Mr. MacSems passed around some mail that was received.

Financial Statement:

No statement available for this month's meeting.

V. Next Meeting Date:

July 14, 2011, 2 PM at the Grand School, 151 E Community Club Rd, Shelton.

VI. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:57pm.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Jahnke, Vice-Chair and Scribe.