Minutes **Mason County Historic Preservation Commission**

July 9, 2015 Mason County Commissioners Chambers 411 N 5th Street Shelton, WA 98584

Members Present: Marty Harrell, Steve Rose, David Corliss, Leslie "Butch" Carter, Jamie Bariekman, and Stephanie Neil,

Excused Members: Rick Calvin

County Staff: Michael MacSems and Melissa Drewry

I. Call to Order

Roll Call- The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm and roll call was conducted.

Review and Approve Minutes from June 11th Meeting- No corrections were made. Ms Neil made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Mr. Corliss, motion carries.

Correspondence-

- Letter from Mason County Historical Society explaining why there will be no June newsletter.
- Columbia magazine Summer 2015
- The Alliance Review May/June 2015
- Heritage Grant Application from Mason County Cemetery District #1
- Heritage Grant Application from Mason County Historical Society

II. New Business

Announcements- None

Summer 2015 Heritage Grant Review- Mr. MacSems reported that he had received two applications. One from the Mason County Historical Society, and the other from the Mason County Cemetery District 1.

The Commission first reviewed the application from the Historical Society. Several members of the MCHS were present and each introduced themselves. These members

included Treasurer David Dally and President Annette McGee. The MCHS asked for a grant of \$5,000 towards updating their light fixtures for UV protection. Total cost for that project will between \$7,000 and \$11,000 depending on the scope of the project. Ms Neil stated that the application does fall within the guidelines and that she feels their project would be a good use of funds. She asked the Historical Society members if they would be able to complete the project within the 6-month timeline. David Dally, Treasurer for the Mason County Historical Society responded, saying they would be able to meet the timeline, because they have already been working with an electrician and PUD 3. He added that the project shouldn't take more than 3 months. Mr. Dally also made it clear that the MCHS understood that this is a reimbursement grant and that they have sufficient funds on hand to complete the project.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve the grant application as written for up to \$5,000, and to send it to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Corliss, motion carries.

The Commission then reviewed the application from Mason County Cemetery District 1. Linnie Griffin was present and described the cemetery and their goals for a directory kiosk. At this time, they are requesting a grant to purchase a directory sign that can stand alone but would eventually be located inside of a kiosk. The cost to have the sign made and installed of the sign is about \$1,600. Mr. Rose said the request looks to meet the criteria. Mr. Carter made a motion to approve the grant application for \$1,600 and to send it to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Rose, motion carries.

Historic Preservation Round Table- Discussion moved to the August 13th meeting.

Other (if any) - None

Old Business

Allyn Days Preparation- Mr. Bariekman asked the exact dates and times. Mr. Rose said July 17-5:30 pm-9 pm, July 18-10:00 am-5 pm, July 19-10:00 am-5 pm. Mr. Rose said the setup and tear down is already taken care of, and the others are free to show up when they are available. Discussion was had regarding parking and location of the booth.

Sargent Oyster House Historic Registry Update- Mr. MacSems said the Mason County Board of Commissioners approved the application to place the Sargent Oyster house on the registry at their July 7, 2015 meeting. He presented the official document that needed to be signed by the HPC chair. Ms Harrell signed as chair due to the absence of Mr. Calvin.

At this time, Mr. MacSems mentioned that he received an application from the Cemetery District 1 requesting placement of the Twin Firs cemetery on the historical registry. He said that application would be on the August agenda.

Ms Neil commented on the historic registry form that is on the website. She said it should be electronic so that it can be filled out on-line. Mr. Bariekman stated he could take a word version of the form and make it into a downloadable form that could then be emailed. He said he could forward the document, so Mr. MacSems could send it to IT to be posted on the website. Ms Neil then made a motion to have Mr. Bariekman update the form so Mr. MacSems could send it to IT. Motion seconded by Mr. Carter, motion carries.

Matlock Historical Survey Update- Ms Neil began by addressing the next public meeting. She received an e-mail from SWCA stating July 20, 22 or 23rd would be the date of that meeting. There is hope to combine the Matlock Survey meeting with another history oriented meeting already scheduled for July 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Mary M. Knight School.

The HPC reviewed the draft and Ms Neil said she was happy with most of the information so far. Mr. Carter said he didn't like how much of the information was labeled "description in progress", but feels that a lot of hard work has been done thus far. Mr. Rose said he is looking forward to the final draft. Mr. Corliss asked about the colored areas of the tables. Ms Neil informed him of the following:

- Places highlighted in pink are potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places
- Places in grey warrant further research
- Places not highlighted (or in white) are not eligible for NRHP

Mr. MacSems asked what would happen if the final report was not done by July 31st. Ms Neil said that the final payment would not be approved until the survey was completely done. She also said that she believes it will be done by the 31st if they are trying to have a public meeting on July 20th. Mr. MacSems said that the MCHPC needs to see the final product before the August 13th meeting.

Website Update (if any) – Mr. MacSems said that he and Mr. Bariekman are working to include the tribal ex-officio members on the HPC's "Meet the Members" page on the County website. He said that Kris Miller from the Skokomish Tribe is agreeable to simply having her name under the Tribe logo. He said that he has not yet received a reply from the Squaxin Tribe. Ms Neil said that she will discuss this with Rhonda Foster.

Comprehensive Plan Update- Ms Drewry stated that Chapters I and II along with Economic Development Council suggestions were discussed at the July 6th Planning Advisory Commission meeting. She said that nothing regarding the HPC was discussed. Mr. Rose asked which chapter the HPC is discussed. The answer was unknown at that time. (Upon further research the HPC is discussed in Chapter III section 10.) Mr. Calvin was advised of the July 6 agenda in advance, so he did not attend that meeting.

Other- None

III. Other Commission Discussion

Financial Statement- Ms. Neil asked about the reference to the Allyn Community Church for payment for the HPC's booth at Allyn Days. Mr. MacSems explained that a check was written to the ACC in error and then cancelled. The actual check for \$150 was sent to the Allyn Community Association. There were no further questions about the statement.

IV. Next Meeting Date August 13, 2015

V. Adjournment

At 3:10 pm, Mr. Bariekman made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Rose, motion carries.