

Minutes

Mason County Historic Preservation Commission

July 13, 2017

Mason County Department of Health Meeting Room
415 N. 6th Street
Shelton, WA 98584

Members Present: Ed Huber, Marty Harrell, Steve Rose, and David Willard

Members Excused: Rick Calvin and Stephanie Neil

County Staff: Michael MacSems and Marissa Watson

I. Call to order

Roll Call- Ms Harrell called the meeting to order at 2:14 p.m.

Review and Approve Minutes from June 8th –Mr. Huber made a motion to approve minutes as presented, Mr. Willard seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence-

- Email from EBI Consultant –cell tower placement (no action needed by HPC)
- Columbia Summer 2017
- William Busacca Email regarding support for the Shelton Railway and Roundhouse
- Certificate from US Department of Interior honoring the 50th year of HPA and recognizing the Mason County Historic Preservation Commission's 10 years as a CLG
- Grant completion documents from the Pickering Homemakers Assn.

II. New Business

Announcements – Mr. MacSems showed the HPC the Certificate that the group had received from the United States Department of Interior. He wanted to know if the group wanted to buy an inexpensive frame for it. Mr. Huber made a motion to purchase an inexpensive frame for the certificate honoring their 10th anniversary as a CLG, Ms Harrell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

William Busacca on Shelton Railway and Roundhouse – Mr. MacSems informed the group that Mr. Busacca could not be in attendance because he was setting up for a festival. Mr. MacSems read the email that Mr. Busacca sent asking the HPC to support the cause of preserving the Shelton Railway and Roundhouse. Mr. Huber made a motion to write a letter in support of the preservation of the Shelton Railway and Roundhouse, using the language provided in Mr. Busacca's email, Ms. Harrell seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Review of Grant School Heritage Grant Completion Report – The Pickering Community Club provided Mr. MacSems with a report showing the work that had been done on the school, the materials, and labor used. They came under budget of the grant that they originally requested. HPC members in attendance reviewed the report. Mr. Willard asked

about the earlier request of the Grant School for a gate. Mr. MacSems answered that it was decided in an earlier meeting to decline to fund a new gate based on the cost, but they could come back with that proposal at a later time with modifications.

Mr. Willard made a motion to approve the work done on the Grant School porch for reimbursement, Mr. Rose seconded, Ms Harrell recused herself, all in favor, motion carried.

Other (if any) – None

Old Business

Summer 2017 Heritage Grant Cycle Update – Mr. MacSems mentioned that grant applications for the summer cycle will be taken up to July 20th. The HPC has received one application so far.

Withdraw of McReavy House Nomination – Mr. MacSems mentioned that Jayni Kamin was only looking for a “House of Historic Interest” plaque and was not interested in revisiting an earlier decision of the MCHPC to place the site on the Historic Register, but not the house (due to modifications).

Discussion of Inventory of County Owned Historic Properties Update (if any) – This discussion is delayed until August.

Continued Memorial Hall Discussion – This discussion is delayed until August.

Status of County Historical Preservation Ordinance Update- Mr. Huber mentioned that he didn't have anything further to say on the Ordinance Update and that he had given the portion he had worked on to Mr. Calvin.

Comprehensive Plan Update (if any) - Ms Watson mentioned that Mr. Calvin was in attendance for the Joint Meeting of the Mason County Commissioners and the Planning Advisory Commission. He spoke during the public comment portion, mentioning the additions that the HPC wanted to see in the Comp Plan and the addition of Traditional Cultural Landscapes that they wanted to add to the HPC's Ordinance.

Website Update (Creating an On-Line MCHPC Calendar) – Mr. MacSems stated that he started a ticket with IT to begin creating a “list” type calendar for the HPC website. Everyone was encouraged to send him emails with events that would be relevant to the HPC, the public, and the area they were in. It was discussed to add the Heritage Grant openings and deadlines, relevant conferences, and select items that were included on the DAHP calendar. Mr. Huber said he would email events from the DAHP calendar to Mr. MacSems.

Other (if any) – Mr. Willard mentioned the Pacific NW History Conference, October 12 - 14 in Spokane. The topic of the conference will be Hidden Histories and Diverse Publics. Mr. Willard expressed interest in attending this conference, as well as Mr. Rose. Mr. MacSems asked how much it cost and Mr. Willard replied that it looks like more information will be available on the website after August 1st. Information for the

conference was found in the Summer 2017 issue of Columbia magazine that was passed around for members to look at.

Mr. MacSems will add the Pacific NW History Conference to the August agenda.

III. Other Commission Discussion

Financial Statement- May and June financial statements were reviewed by the HPC. Some members of the group had questions about the difference between the two months. Mr. MacSems brought Ms. Chaussee into the meeting to explain the difference. She explained that May's spreadsheet looked different from June due to very little, if any expenditures in May, and even April, compared to June.

IV. Next Meeting Date August 10, 2017

V. Adjournment

At 2:50 p.m. Mr. Rose made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Huber. All in favor, meeting adjourned.