

**Minutes**  
**Mason County Historic Preservation Commission**  
**May 9, 2019**  
**Mason County Department of Health Meeting Room**  
**415 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Shelton, WA 98584**

**Members Present:** Rick Calvin, Stephanie Neil, Ed Huber, and Steve Rose (arrived at 2:15)

**Members Excused:** Chrissy Williams and Lorilyn Rogers

**Guest:** Jean Bray, Russ Sackett, and Jenifer Beierle

**County Staff:** Michael MacSems and Mariah Frazier

**I. Call to order**

*Roll Call*- Mr. Calvin called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. Mr. Rose was running late so it was decided to begin discussion as guests were present.

**II. New Business**

*Other (if any)* – Jean Bray talked about Camp Hahobas located in the Dewatto area and of its background in the community. HPC members offered suggestions on how she could move forward in getting the property and/or buildings onto the Historic Register if that is what she wants. Mr. MacSems stated that while anyone could nominate a site for the Historic Register, the owner has to approve of it. The ownership of Camp Hahobas has recently been divided between The Boy Scouts of America, the Dept. Of Natural Resources, and The Great Peninsula Conservancy.

Ms. Neil suggested having the buildings recorded as a start to the process. Ms. Bray stated she has been in contact with Greg Griffith from DAHP who suggested having a survey done which could be funded through a future Heritage Grant. Mr. Huber asked if DNR had done a land acquisition survey after acquiring ownership as that would also help in preservation of the site and getting it onto the register. Mr. MacSems stated that the sale was fairly recent, and Ms. Neil explained that the archaeologist position with DNR is currently open so a survey most likely wouldn't be done until someone is hired.

Ms. Bray also made mention of a cemetery on Holly-Dewatto Road that may be in need of some preservation. Mr. Calvin reminded Ms. Bray that the HPC does not perform or enforce preservation but rather supports it in the community. Mr. Sackett introduced himself to Ms. Bray and offered to help with the process of preserving the historic Camp Hahobas buildings.

**III. Administrative**

*Roll Call* – Mr. Rose had arrived at 2:15pm while Ms. Bray was presenting. Mr. Calvin suggested addressing the administrative approval of minutes and correspondence, then move on to Old Business to address the ongoing Indirect

Fee discussion as Jennifer Beierle was present. Everyone agreed for moving forward in that order.

*Review and Approve Minutes from April 11, 2019* – Ms. Neil made a motion to approve the April 11, 2019 minutes as presented. Mr. Rose seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

*Correspondence-*

- May 2019 Mason County Historical Society Newsletter
- Email from Jean Bray with background information on Camp Hahobas
- Email from Jennifer Beierle with answers to questions regarding indirect cost update
- Notices from EBI Consulting and the FCC regarding submission for construction of a cell tower at Sanderson Field
- Invitation to WA Trust for Historic Preservation fundraiser
- Poster from DAHP

#### **IV. Old Business**

*Ongoing Indirect Fee Discussion* – Jennifer Beierle explained that the indirect fee is a cost pool for departments with allocated fees that is to be collected from said departments in an equitable manner. She stated that one option the HPC has to avoid being charged an indirect fee is to become part of the Current Expense Fund. She was pretty sure the HPC would be able to move to the CE fund and still be able to keep their designated funds as separate from the rest but would double check with the State Auditor to be sure.

Ms. Neil asked about what other counties that use the document tax that funds the HPC are doing about indirect funds and if it's affecting them at the same rate. Ms. Beierle was unsure and said she would look into it. Mr. MacSems stated that he could also check with other CLG's.

Mr. Huber wanted clarification on the proportionality for other departments affected by the indirect fee and asked for Ms. Beierle to provide the spreadsheet of how much money is taken from each department through the indirect fee and what percentage of their budget that is. Ms. Beierle said she could send that spreadsheet out and would also get answers to Ms. Neil's previous question and clarification about the CE fund.

*Process for Delisting the Libby-Willard Barn from the Historic Registry (if any)* – No update.

*Update on Conversation with Aqua Terra Cultural Resource Consultants about Redactions to the 2013 Historic Maritime Transportation Survey (if any)* – Mr. Huber had contacted Sarah with Aqua Terra by email and phone but had not received any response.

*By-Law Update* – Mr. MacSems reminded everyone that the updates to the By-Laws had been approved at the last meeting and still needed to be updated on the website.

*Other (if any)* - Mr. MacSems stated that he had been contacted by Kim Gant of DAHP to sign up for presentations for the 2019 CLG Grant. Mr. MacSems said he had signed up for June 12 at 9:40.

Ms. Neil stated that after getting answers from Kim about the application regarding being able to only attend the 2020 NAPC summit for one day, she had changed the application for 3 people to attend all days and 4 to attend one day.

#### **V. New Business (Continued)**

*Announcements* – None.

*New/Renewing Member Recruitment Process for 2019* – Mr. MacSems stated that Russ Sackett had put in an application after visiting the last meeting and mentioned that Ms. Rogers and Mr. Rose's positions would be up at the end of the year. Instead of waiting until then, Mr. MacSems said he would like to advertise all three positions now for 2020 and then have the BOCC appoint whoever they choose to fill the vacant seat left by Ms. Jerrells for the remainder to the 2019 term.

#### **VI. Other Commission Discussion**

*Financial Statement*- HPC reviewed the statement for April 2019. Mr. Calvin asked which Heritage Grants were still outstanding. Mr. MacSems stated that all three Summer 2018 grants had been paid and all three of the Winter 2019 grants were still outstanding.

#### **VII. Next Meeting Date June 13, 2019**

#### **VIII. Adjournment**

At 3:15p.m. Ms. Neil made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Huber. All in favor, meeting adjourned.