

Minutes
Mason County Historic Preservation Commission
December 10, 2020
via Zoom
415 N. 6th Street
Shelton, WA 98584

Members Present: Russ Sackett, Ed Huber, Dave Dally, Steve Rose, Wayne Nicholson, and Jann Goodpastor

Absent: Rick Calvin

County Staff: Michael MacSems and Mariah Frazier

I. Call to order

Roll Call- Mr. Sackett called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. and welcomed new members, Mr. Nicholson and Ms. Goodpastor who then introduced themselves.

Review and Approve Minutes from November 12th, 2020 – Mr. Huber made a motion to approve the minutes from November 12, 2020. Motion was seconded by Mr. Rose. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence-

- WA Trust for Historic Preservation letter asking for donations
- This Place Magazine – Winter issue

II. New Business

Announcements– None.

Welcome New Members – See above.

Election of 2021 Officers – As Mr. Calvin was absent and not wanting to assume, Mr. Sackett suggesting moving the election to the January meeting Everyone agreed moving it was the best plan of action and Mr. Huber seconded the motion made by Mr. Sackett.

2021 Heritage Grant Budget Discussion – Mr. MacSems stated that a news release announcing the 2021 Heritage Grant cycle was going to be read at the December 15th BOCC. In 2020 Heritage Grant news release stated that grants up to \$500 would be accepted, but with more money in the budget for 2021, he needed to know what dollar amount to advertise for.

Mr. Sackett mentioned the possibility of setting aside the roughly \$4,000 Internal Allocation fee being refunded in order to fund a Historic Preservation Plan rather than adding it to the Heritage Grant budget. The topic was widely accepted as something they would like to do, but as the decision for the Heritage Grant had to be made at this meeting, the talk about an HPP was tabled.

Mr. MacSems then looked up the budget for 2021 and confirmed that they had budgeted \$5,000 for the 2021 Heritage Grant anticipating no Internal Allocation fee. He also noticed that \$7,000 had been budgeted for Staff Time that would not be charge in 2021. With this information, Mr. Huber proposed capping grant applications at \$1,500 with the ability to award three grants at that amount for a total of \$4,500. The amounts were accepted with discussion over the number of grants to be funded depending on the amounts requested.

Mr. Huber then made a motion to advertise Heritage Grant applications being accepted up to \$1,500. Motion was seconded by Mr. Nicholson. All in favor, motion passed.

Grapeview Cemetery Discussion – An overview of previous discussions about the Cemetery off Highway 3 and Pickering was given to the new members. It was confirmed to be in DAHP records, but no one knew much about who may have been buried there, or if there still is anyone buried there. Ms. Goodpastor offered to look into it and see if the Mason County Historical Society had any records.

Other (if any) – None.

Old Business

Matlock Historical Society Heritage Grant Completion Review – After confirming everyone had the chance to access and review the documents, Mr. Huber made a motion to accept the deliverables and reimburse the Matlock Historical Society Heritage Grant \$179. Motion was seconded by Mr. Rose. All in favor, motion passed.

Mason County Historic House/Place of Interest Plaque Program – None.

Sargent Oyster House COA Update – A brief overview of the Sargent Oyster House and the Section 106 process was given to catch up the new members. No new information.

Other (if any) – None.

III. Other Commission Discussion

Financial Statement- Everything seemed in order with the financial statement for November. A \$4,254 Internal Allocation fee was charged, but we are told that it will be reimbursed in December.

IV. Next Meeting Date: January 14, 2021 (via Zoom)

V. Adjournment

At 2:54p.m. Ms. Goodpastor made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Nicholson. All in favor, meeting adjourned.