

Draft Minutes

Mason County Historic Preservation Commission

March 10, 2022

Mason County Department of Health Meeting Room

415 N. 6th Street

Shelton, WA 98584

Members Present: Ed Huber, Jann Goodpaster, Dave Dally, and Wayne Nicholson

Guests: Karylin Shoemaker

County Staff: Malissa Paulsen and Mariah Frazier

I. Call to order

Roll Call- Mr. Huber called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Review and Approve Minutes from February 10, 2022 – Ms. Goodpaster made a motion to approve the February 10, 2022 minutes as presented. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence-

- MCHS Newsletter

II. New Business

Announcements – Ms. Goodpaster mentioned that a new exhibit was on display at the museum featuring women of Mason County. This display was previously funded through a MCHPC Heritage Grant for the League of Women Voters.

Uncle John’s Creek Fish Barrier Correction Project Review – Members reviewed the Cultural Resources Report and letter from USACOE for Uncle John’s Creek Fish Barrier project. There were no concerns at this time and no action was required.

15th Annual Cultural Resource Protection Summit – Ms. Paulsen shared the information for the upcoming Cultural Resource Protection Summit. She stated she would like to attend and asked if anyone else would be interested. Mr. Huber expressed interest after receiving more information about the schedule and whether it would be in person or virtual. After checking the budget, Ms. Goodpaster made a motion to approve Ms. Paulsen and Mr. Huber to attend both days. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dally. All in favor, motion carried.

Other (if Any) – None.

Old Business

Union Pioneer Cemetery – Ms. Goodpaster stated she had been reached out to regarding the Union Pioneer Cemetery which is owned by the Mason’s. They are looking to sell for \$1 to a 501c3 and were wondering if the MCHPC knew of any resources or could help.

Upon discussion and staying within their purview, members debated providing a letter to the BOCC endorsing the significance of the property or getting the Mason's in touch with the BOCC.

Jones Family Cemetery (continued public hearing) – Mr. Huber and Ms. Goodpaster recapped their visit to the site and stated they were unable to locate a specific location and had concerns about what property the graves may actually be on. With these concerns and the resources needed to verify a location to move forward, it was agreed to not move forward with adding the site to the historic register. It was also agreed to keep in touch with the property owners of the neighboring property should anything change.

Continued Discussion of Adding Educational Links to the MCHPC webpage – Tabled to April meeting.

Historic Preservation Plan and FY 23 DAHP Grant Update – No update.

Other (if any) – Ms. Goodpaster asked Ms. Paulsen to send an application to Dan Nye who had expressed interest in joining the MCHPC. She also mentioned Gary Webb may be interested. Ms. Goodpaster also mentioned the need to update the information on the website, particularly the membership page as it's out of date.

With COVID-19 restrictions lifting, there was questions about moving back to in person meetings. Everyone agreed they'd be comfortable meeting in person but would like the option still to attend virtually if needed. Ms. Paulsen stated she would look into the County's plan for reinstating in person meetings.

III. Other Commission Discussion

Financial Statement- HPC reviewed the statement for February 2022. Mr. Nicholson made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Dally. All in favor, motion carried.

IV. Next Meeting Date April 14, 2022

V. Adjournment

At 2:48 p.m. Mr. Huber called the meeting adjourned.