

Minutes

Mason County Historic Preservation Commission

August 11, 2022

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

Members Present: Ed Huber, Jann Goodpaster, Dave Dally

Guest: Caleb Cowles

County Staff: Michael MacSems and Mariah Frazier

I. Call to order

Roll Call- Mr. Huber called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Review and Approve Minutes from July 14, 2022 – Mr. Dally made a motion to approve the July 14, 2022, minutes as presented. Ms. Goodpaster seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence-

- MCHS Newsletter for August
- Call from Jean Bray regarding Camp Hohobas

II. New Business

Announcements – Ms. Goodpaster stated that the Museum would be holding a reception and talk on September 16th with John Tylczak for his exhibit “Chasing Ghosts.” She also mentioned there would be an encore art show at the Diesen House on September 18th.

New Members Recruitment Update – Mr. MacSems mentioned three applications had been received and the Board of County Commissioners was briefed and in the process of scheduling interviews. Caleb Cowles, one of the applicants, was present and welcomed warmly. He introduced himself and gave some background, stating he was excited to join. Mr. MacSems said once he had confirmation from the BOCC regarding appointment of new members he would reach out to DAHP about new member trainings.

Heritage Grant 2022 Update: Review Grant Completion Report and Grant Deadline Extension Request – Mr. MacSems had reached out to the Heritage Grant recipients regarding due dates for completion reports and/or extension requests. The Matlock Historical Society, Mason County Historical Society, and Great Peninsula Conservancy turned in requests for extension. Mr. Dally made a motion to approve the extension requests for 6 months. Motion was seconded by Ms. Goodpaster. All in favor, motion carried.

The McReavy House and Pacific Railway and Lumber Museum turned in completion reports for review. Mr. Dally made motions to accept as complete and dispense funds for

McReavy House and Peninsula Railway and Lumber Museum. Motions were both seconded by Ms. Goodpaster. All in favor, motion carried.

Other (if Any) – Mr. MacSems said he and Mr. Huber were contacted by Shaun Dinubilo from the Squaxin Tribe regarding a piece of property at Hungerford Point. The building department had recently issued a permit for the site and was informed after issuance of its possible connection to Fort Skookum. The property owner had been contacted and recommended to have a cultural resources survey done as well as information on inadvertent discovery.

Old Business

Historic Preservation Website Update – Ms. Goodpaster and Mr. Huber provided their photos. Mr. Dally had previously provided his. Mr. MacSems said he would contact the IT department to add them to the website.

Historic Preservation Plaque Program – Ms. Goodpaster said she hopes to have a meeting with Liz Arbaugh and Sue Stanley in September when they're both back from summer travels. Mr. Dally questioned the time it's taken to work on this project and upon further discussion he and Ms. Goodpaster made plans to begin working on creating an application and looking into regulations. The meeting with Liz and Sue would then move to be more focused on community outreach and support, rather than helping to create the program from scratch.

Union Cemetery Update – Ms. Goodpaster had done some networking and received contact information for the President of the Lions Club in Union. She planned to let them know they could reach out to Mark Neary at the County and provide DAHP information but had not been able to get in touch after several attempts.

Other (if any) – None.

III. Other Commission Discussion

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

IV. Next Meeting Date September 8, 2022

V. Adjournment

At 2:54 p.m. Mr. Huber called the meeting adjourned.

To Do:

Ms. Goodpaster

- National Register Research
- Draft Application for Plaque Program

Mr. MacSems

- Form for Plaque Program and Have IT put Photos on Website