

MINUTES
MASON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

October 10, 2013
Mason County Building 9, Conference Room

Members Present: Stephanie Neil, David Corliss, Marty Harrell, Steve Rose;
Stan Graham joined the meeting late
Members Excused: Rick Calvin
Staff: Michael MacSems

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 2:09 pm by Mrs Harrell.
The minutes from the September 12th meeting were reviewed and minor corrections were made. Mr. Rose made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Mrs. Harrell seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence – The commission received Columbia magazine, Mason County Historical Society newsletter, 2014 Calendar from Edmonds Historic Preservation Commission, and a thank you from the Harstine Island Community Club.

New Business

Review MCHPC Applications

Applications were received for Leslie Carter and current members David Corliss and Steven Rose. Mr. MacSems read Mr. Carter's application to the commission and noted that he would need to add more information under the conflict of interest block and participation in training. There was not a quorum of members present to vote on the applications for Mr. Rose or Mr. Corliss so the commission moved down the agenda.

Discuss FY 2014 Budget

There was a discussion of the proposed budget. There was some confusion over the different line items. Mr. MacSems will ask Kathy Chausse to the December meeting to go over in more detail and clarify particular line items.

Recess

A motion was made by Mrs. Neil to recess the meeting at 2:20 pm to see if Mr. Graham could attend because there would not be a quorum to vote on either of the current members applications. Motion was seconded by Mr. Rose and passed unanimously.

Meeting was called back to order by Mrs. Harrell at 2:28 with Mr. Graham present.

Continued Review of MCHPC Applications

Mr. Graham made a motion to accept Steven Rose's application. Mrs. Neil seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham made a motion to accept David Corliss's application. Mrs. Neil seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham made a motion to accept Leslie Carter's application after corrections. Mr. Rose seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Update on Summer 2013 Heritage Grant to Mason County Cemetery District 1

Mr. MacSems reported that the contract has been signed and the Cemetery District will need to report back to us within 6 months.

Maritime Historic Survey Update

Mr. MacSems reported that the final check has been mailed. We have not heard anything back from DAHP at this time. Mr. Calvin wants to discuss and critique how the project went.

Status Update of Inter-local agreements with City of Shelton

Mr. MacSems reported that the agreement has been sent back to the City of Shelton for review.

Update on MCHPC Picture Board

We currently have a picture board and limited number of pictures. Mr. Graham talked to two professional photographers about a photo contest but did not make any progress due to lack of interest. The commission decided to drop the idea of having a photo contest but continuing to attempt to assemble quality photos in other ways.

Update on Matlock Survey and Possible Field Trip

Mr. MacSems reported that the county no longer has a van that we could use for a field trip but there is a possibility of borrowing a small bus. The commission discussed the scope of the project. There are a lot of resources in the area including railroads, logging camps, homestead, and barns. Mr. Graham suggested using Matlock as a starting point and making it the focus including the school, museum, store, grange, homes, and cemetery. The area surrounding Matlock could also be included. He also stated there are many resources for this area that can be found at the Mason County Historic Society museum including a photo collection of the Simpson summer home. Mrs. Neil said she would start writing up the scope and if members have further input they can email her. Mr. Corliss said he would ask a contact about old maps from Green Diamond. Mr. Graham stated that he would go through some history book and pull out some info for Matlock.

Discussion of the November Meeting which will be held at the USFS Hamma Hamma Guard Cabin

Mrs. Neil has reserved the cabin. Mr. MacSems wrote a press release that has gone through the Board of County Commissioners. Mr. Corliss also started a press release but the commission decided it was not needed because Mr. MacSems had already completed one.

Continued Discussion of Replacing the MCHPC Chair in November

Mr. Graham reported that the major duties are to run the meeting and get familiar with the bylaws. He encouraged Mrs. Harrell to serve as chair. Mrs. Neil recommended waiting until the next meeting when Mr. Calvin is present. She said he has done a great job and vice chair and wondered if he would be willing to serve as chair. Mrs. Harrell said she was willing to serve as vice chair but was not sure about chair. Mr. Graham said he was still interested in history and may be willing to consult.

Other Commission Discussion

Mr. Graham found a box in his attic with some supplies that he returned to Mr. MacSems.

Mr. Rose reported that the Fish and Wildlife Service will give the Sargent Oyster House to the Port of Allyn and the building will be moved onto Port of Allyn property.

Mr. Graham reported that the Capital Land Trust is buying land near the Deer Creek store and possibly the Bay Shore golf course. There are several historic resources in these areas including standing buildings and archaeology sites. The land trust is interested in historic preservation.

Mr. Rose stated that he would create a calendar for events where we could have a booth and suggested that we try to make it to places throughout the county.

Financial Statement – The financial statement for August and September were reviewed.

Next Regular Meeting Date: November 14, 2013

Adjournment

Mr. Graham made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:55, Mr. Rose seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.