

City of Colville

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

June 15, 2012

10:00 a.m. – City Hall

MINUTES

The Colville Historic Preservation Commission met for a regular meeting on Friday, June 15, 2012, at City Hall. Chairman Russ Larsen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Larsen, Avrum Baum, Alan Bedford, and Bruce Dietz. Tony Harmon arrived late. MEMBERS ABSENT: Two vacancies exist. STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Planner Melinda Lee. RECORDING SECRETARY: Susan Davis.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting of May 18, 2012 had been distributed to each member prior to the meeting. Alan Bedford moved and Avrum Baum seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. Voice vote showed all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update on Rendezvous Booth.

Melinda Lee presented a status report on the activities scheduled for the Rendezvous booth. She confirmed that Joe Barreca and Geno Ludwig are scheduled to present lectures. Historical materials will be available in the booth for public information. Woodland Theatre players have expressed a willingness to participate again and dress in period clothing but no firm commitment has been made. Melinda indicated that she has received no response to date from Guns & Roses. She reviewed the activities that have been scheduled by the encampment group.

Avrum Baum expressed a willingness to be responsible for the Saturday morning downtown tours and offered to rent a vehicle to shuttle people. Melinda suggested that maybe she could use the vehicle for the driving tours in the afternoon as well. Avrum requested Melinda to arrange for the vehicle for the weekend to make it available for both of them to use.

Melinda presented a new schedule board that she ordered from the Colville Sign Company. The dry erasable whiteboard finish allows the schedule to be changed as necessary. She noted that the board and another banner were made possible by the grant HPC received from The Heritage Network.

B. Tour Booklets.

Melinda reported the supply of tour booklets has been depleted. She is currently updating the tour booklet and Joe Barecca will print a new supply for distribution.

C. Review draft form for historic art recognition.

Alan Bedford reviewed the draft form for historic art recognition that he had prepared (copy on file). As

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proposed, Al pointed out that the art work must represent some aspect of historic consequence with a tie to Colville or its immediate area. If acceptable to the HPC, he indicated he would like to give a form to the proprietor at Yummy Cupcakes & More as a test case for recognizing the existing murals. He explained that she is interested in applying for a historic plaque for the building as well.

At this time, Tony Harmon arrived and shared his personal experience with saving the murals at the above location.

Al indicated that he would also like to talk to the museum curator in charge of the Leno Prestini art collection about applying for historic art recognition.

Alan Bedford moved and Avrum Baum seconded the motion to approve the historic art recognition application form as presented. Voice vote showed all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Vacancies.

Avrum Baum reported that Kiki Welfel recently retired from the Stevens County Assessor's office. He suggested that she be contacted to see if she might be interested in filling one of the current vacancies. He felt her background and knowledge would be beneficial to the HPC. Melinda reported that there are a couple of other individuals who might also be interested in applying for a position.

REPORTS

Melinda reported that she received three new plaques and indicated that arrangements need to be made for the award presentations. She advised that the HPC has only one blank left that has been prepaid. She noted that a new source will need to be found to make the plaques, which will likely be more expensive in the future.

Alan expressed some concern about the possibility of the American Legion closing and the fact that HPC had awarded them a historic plaque. Russ Larsen suggested that whoever buys the building in the future might like to keep the plaque.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, on a motion and a second, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.