

City of Colville

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

July 15, 2011

10:00 a.m. – City Hall

MINUTES

The Colville Historic Preservation Commission met for a regular meeting on Friday, July 15, 2011, at City Hall. Chairman Russ Larsen called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Larsen, Bruce Dietz, Alan Bedford, Janet Thomas, Tony Harmon, and Brenda Buckner. MEMBERS ABSENT: Avrum Baum. STAFF PRESENT: Director of Building & Planning Jim Lapinski and Assistant Planner Melinda Lee. RECORDING SECRETARY: Susan Davis.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the previous meetings of May 20, 2011 and June 17, 2011 had been distributed to each member prior to the meeting. On a motion and a second the May 20, 2011 minutes were approved as written. On a motion and a second the June 17, 2011 minutes were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Rendezvous Booth Update.

Melinda Lee reviewed the scheduled events at the Rendezvous booth including historic driving tours; Colville Tribe hands-on arts and crafts project; Geno Ludwig lecture; Friends of Spokane House fur trade/ David Thompson display; Kitty Johnson talk; Guns & Roses, in period costume, displaying fire arms and presenting a slide show; and a book drawing every day. Melinda noted that she did not get commitments from others that she had contacted. Videos on the Keller House and Council of Elders will be shown on the lap top along with the Crossroads on the Columbia DVD. The existing HPC display boards will be used for public outreach. Arden Tree Farms will bring an old logging wagon in to put on display. Melinda also reported that the Rendezvous Committee requested use of the van on Saturday morning to shuttle people back and forth from the airport fly-in to the park. Janet suggested that Karen Struve be contacted regarding a possible Genealogical Society program during one of the time slots and Melinda offered to follow up on that. She requested volunteers to fill some of the empty time slots for the booth and to drive the tour van.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2012 Budget.

Staff reviewed the HPC budget which currently has \$500 in Supplies and \$500 in Plaques. Discussion followed relative to the Commission's needs. It was pointed out that the brochures and the tour book will need to be reprinted next year, which is expended out of the Supplies fund. Janet suggested a public awareness campaign to educate the public and encourage more participation in the plaque program. Tony Harmon presented an idea for a historic marker that could list the date/occupants of a building, similar to

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ones used in Sedro Woolley. Tony expressed a willingness to make one up for his own building to see what it would take to make it. It was suggested that maybe artist Mike Somerlott could write/paint the names and dates on the board. Al Bedford asked if the "plaques" fund could be expanded to include "historic markers" to allow more flexibility.

Al Bedford moved and Janet Thomas seconded the motion to request \$700 in Supplies and \$500 in Plaques/Historic markers for the 2012 budget. Motion passed.

Tony asked about murals on buildings and brief discussion followed. Melinda noted that there are no regulations restricting murals. Some of the members felt that there are a few buildings in town that could benefit from having a mural.

Janet asked if the HPC would be developing goals for next year. Staff felt that could be a discussion topic at the next meeting. Janet suggested the designation of Crestview Drive *as a historic district* to make people aware of the historic significance of the post World War II era homes. Staff pointed out that the City Council has not been asked to adopt the proposed downtown historic district because feedback from some property owners indicated they are not in favor of additional regulations. Adoption of a historic district would require a building inventory to be accomplished and resources are limited.

REPORTS

Janet reported that the front of the old Opera House/Masonic Lodge has been repainted and the yellow and blue paint is gone. In other news, she reported that the next meeting of the Heritage Network will be in Chewelah. She reviewed some of their programs and projects for information.

Melinda reported that Brenda Buckner was appointed to fill Trudy Lundy's unexpired position.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Al Bedford moved to adjourn. Bruce Dietz seconded. There were no objections and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.