

City of Colville

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

July 20, 2012

10:00 a.m. – City Hall

MINUTES

The Colville Historic Preservation Commission met for a regular meeting on Friday, July 20, 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, Bruce Dietz, and Tony Harmon. MEMBERS ABSENT: Alan Bedford and Avrum Baum. Two vacancies exist. STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Planner Melinda Lee and Director of Building & Planning Jim Lapinski. RECORDING SECRETARY: Susan Davis.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting of June 15, 2012 had been distributed to each member prior to the meeting. Bruce Dietz moved and Tony Harmon seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. Voice vote showed all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update on Rendezvous Booth.

1) Possible Addition of Exhibits – Melinda Lee reported that no further progress has been made regarding the addition of farm implement exhibits.

2) Booth Schedule – Melinda distributed a booth schedule for review and finalization. She advised that Guns & Roses confirmed participation from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday. She indicated that Avrum Baum will do the morning driving tour and she will do the afternoon driving tour on Saturday and Sunday. “Chat with Historians” is set up with some local historians; but Marvin Ray and Pat Graham may or may not be able to attend due to other commitments. Following discussion HPC members committed to time slots for manning the booth and Melinda will finalize the schedule accordingly.

Melinda distributed some new brochures for review and information.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business to be presented.

REPORTS

A. National Preservation Conference in Spokane.

Melinda reported that the Stevens County Commissioners paid for the booth at the upcoming National Preservation Conference in Spokane at the request of the Chamber of Commerce. The City has approved her participation on behalf of the HPC for Oct. 31-Nov. 1 & 2. The Heritage Network will also be participating. Up to 4 people can man the booth for free – Melinda advised that 3 people have already volunteered. Bruce Dietz expressed a willingness to man the booth as well.

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Melinda presented a brief report from The Heritage Network (THN) meeting. She advised that the Walla Walla to Fort Colville military trail project received \$80,000. During THN discussion, a desire to recreate Fort Colville was expressed by some. Melinda advised that the next meeting will be held at the Colville museum in August.

Melinda reported that HPC is currently out of blank historic plaques. She advised that the Colville Sign Company recently quoted a price of approximately \$64 per plaque, which is an increase from the last order. Melinda indicated HPC has \$100 in its plaque fund and \$625 in its supplies fund. She suggested if these funds could be combined there would be enough to buy 10 blank plaques for \$640. HPC members felt it makes sense to have some blanks on hand. Jim Lapinski will check with the City Clerk and if it is approved then they could be ordered.

Tony Harmon moved and Bruce Dietz seconded the motion to order blank plaques if the funds are approved. Voice vote showed all in favor.

Tony reported that he has noticed the public stopping by to read the historic marker on his building. Russ indicated that Sue Poe expressed an interest in doing one for her building and planned to contact Tony. Melinda noted that the HPC has \$400 budgeted for markers. Discussion followed regarding promotion of the historic marker program such as a letter to the plaque recipients in the downtown area. There was also some discussion as to whether property owners could/should pay for half of the approximate \$100 cost for each marker, which would provide for more markers.

### ADJOURNMENT

A. Possible cancellation of August meeting. After brief discussion it was a consensus to cancel the August meeting. The next regular meeting will be held in September.

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, on a motion and a second the meeting was adjourned at approximately \_\_\_\_ a.m.