

Minutes of Meeting
Kootenai County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
DATE: February 16, 2022
TIME 3:30 p.m.

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Beebe at 3:30 pm.

1. Opening Protocols:

Russ Brown gave opening protocols.

2. Roll Call:

Present were Walter Burns, Russ Brown, and Courtney Beebe. J.P. Piedmont attended by zoom. Jon Mueller and Laurie Mauser were absent and excused.

In the absence of Commissioner Mauser, Chairperson Beebe volunteered to take the minutes for the meeting.

3. Introduce Guests:

No guests attended.

B. Business

Agenda Item #1 - Approval of Minutes from January 19, 2022

- a. Chairperson Beebe presented the minutes. Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. Chairperson Beebe called for discussion. There was no discussion. Chairperson Beebe called for a vote. The commissioners unanimously voted to approve the January 19, 2022, minutes.

Agenda Item #2 - Report on Contacting Local History Groups

- a. Commissioner Burns asked whether anyone knew about a contact for the City of Hayden Lake, and Commissioner Brown clarified that there is no contact. Commissioner Burns took the action item to contact City of Haden CLG and City of Hayden Lake. Commissioner Brown presented a written report regarding his efforts to contact local history groups. Commissioner Brown reported that all the contacts he made resulted in a positive connection and each group was willing to participate in the development of a Kootenai County historical preservation plan. Also, Commissioner Brown reported that the history groups would share information about their historical assets and have a need for additional county funding for specific projects. The Commissioners discussed Commissioner Brown's ideas for information gathering regarding the Whiteman residence and Whiteman mill in Cataldo, and obtaining information about the preservation of the Old Fire House in Athol. The Commission also discussed performing an oral history interview of Larry Jenicek. Commissioner Beebe reported that she contacted the Crane Historical Society in Harrison and they have a need for collection care and tree removal. Commission Piedmont took the action item to contact the Post Falls Historical Society. Commissioner Mauser submitted a report that the Bayview Community Council and Bayview Chamber of Commerce would participate in the development of a historic preservation plan and that there is community interest in local history shown by participation at history presentations and the Pen d'Oreille City project. Commissioner Brown took the action item to

schedule an oral history interview with Larry Jenicek and Chairperson Beebe, and obtain information about the Whiteman Residence and Old Fire House in Athol.

Agenda Item # 3 - Workshop Goals and Subcommittee Assignments

- a. Chairperson Beebe asked the Commissioners if the group would like to schedule second workshop regarding the goals and subcommittee assignments. The Commissioners discussed the need for a second workshop. Chairperson Beebe took the action item of scheduling a workshop in two weeks.

Agenda Item # 4 - Update on Cougar Gulch Grant and Survey

- a. Chairperson Beebe reported that she continued to work with Sharon Boswell on the Cougar Gulch context and district boundary project. Chairperson Beebe conducted site visits at properties on Thompson Road and reported the information to Sharon Boswell. Commissioners Burns and Brown identified that they are interested in participating in site visits and Commissioner Brown describe the ability to use a metal detector to obtain information on property boundaries by identifying metal markers. Chairperson Beebe suggested adding an informational session about the project to the March 2022, commission agenda and the Commissioners discussed the logistics of obtaining a projector screen to view photos and site forms.

Agenda Item # 5 - Meeting with Farragut Personnel

- a. Commissioner Burns reported that due to Commissioner Mueller and Mauser being out of town the meeting with Farragut Personnel has not been scheduled. Commissioner Burns will continue to schedule a meeting with Farragut personnel to discuss the Pen d'Oreille City listing and how to coordinate with their personnel and projects.

Agenda Item #6 - Inadvertent Find Protocol

- a. Chairperson Beebe suggested forwarding the inadvertent find protocol approved at previous meetings to the Board of County Commissioners and then asking if they would like a follow up presentation. The Commissioners discussed the proposal. Chairperson Beebe took the action item to forward the inadvertent find protocol to the BOCC for approval with the information that they could request a presentation in the future.

C. Open Floor

- a. The Commissioners discussed generally that they are energized by the projects we have identified to work on and that the departure of Jennifer DeRose has left a vacancy that should be filled with a cooperative member of the commission who is similarly qualified but can work well with our group. Chairperson Beebe took the action item to ask about the appointment of a new commissioner to fill the vacancy left by Jennifer DeRose's departure.

D. Adjourn

There being no further discussion of agenda items or public comment, Chairperson Beebe moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The motion was carried. Chairperson Beebe adjourned the meeting at 4:11 p.m.



Courtney Beebe, Chairperson