

Meeting Minutes of the  
City and Borough of Juneau  
**Historic Resources Advisory Committee**

Wednesday, September 9 2014  
City Hall Room 224  
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Members:**

Gary Gillette (Chair)

Marie Darlin

Myra Gilliam

Don Harris (Vice-Chair)

Gerald Gotschall

Zane Jones

Shauna McMahon (Recorder)

Sorrel Goodwin

Michael Tripp

**Staff:**

Jane Lindsey (City Museum)

Laura Boyce (CDD)

Guest:

None

- I. Call to Order: 5:00 pm,
- II. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously. Added round robin introductions for benefit of new members
- III. Approval of Minutes: Don Harris motioned. Approved unanimously
- IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none

Round Robin introductions for benefit of new committee members

V. New Business

- 1 Museum/mechanical upgrades report - Jane Lindsey

Construction Observation/Communication Report #15 with photos of work was shared and showed some of the progression of work. Testing HVAC system this week. Retrofit to allow ventilation unusual process. Typically inserting humidity is used only in larger museums and hospitals in Alaska. Jane noted the diligence of contractor staff but is glad to be at the close of the project.

2. Grant Updates and the next CLG application - staff

Laura Boyce provided an overview of grant activity. Noted was a reapplication and acceptance for the Evergreen Cemetery mapping project. The application was changed to include links of the interred with historic buildings. The project will have outreach to diverse groups and population. One product will be a GIS accessible/searchable database that utilizes GPS point data. Gary noted that it will be consider potential property encroachment. Reference to the Douglas cemetery research was made and it was noted in past different organizations/societies/churches have different sectors of the cemetery and maintaining their own records for their sector.

The next CLG grant solicitation announcement is pending soon with probable due date in October. Laura Boyce mentioned long time HRAC interest in Preservation Plan and perhaps a proposal could incorporate outreach, public education opportunities and consultants as preparatory work on Preservation Plan. Laura will share a draft of the Anchorage Preservation Plan at next meeting.

-MOTION- HRAC supports the drafting and submittal of a CLG grant proposal related to Preservation Plan development  
(Myra Gilliam moved, Marie Darlin seconded, approved unanimously)

VI Old Business

1. SLAM Flicker Feather update – Laura Boyce

Laura noted that the Alaska State Museum Flicker feather panels had been destroyed and shared related correspondence related to the panel condition findings. There was much disappointment that the panels were unable to be saved and that no mention was made regarding mitigation alternatives. Could the project be encouraged to incorporate a mitigation measure such as replicating the panels, doing sidewalks with impressed flicker feather, donation to a preservation effort or grant? The HRAC members noted that the physical panels were a prominent and tangible association with the museum.

-MOTION- The flicker feather panels were a significant element in the community. An alternative would be to replicate the design and incorporate into the design as originally planned or propose an alternative mitigation utilizing the motif to scale to be included in the finished design. (Moved by Gerald Gottschall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marie Darlin)

Gary Gillette will work with Laura Boyce on drafting related letter regarding panel destruction and mitigation.

2. Downtown Historic District Sign Update

Michael Tripp brought up the current enforcement and fines related to signage and historic district standards. He is concerned whether they currently are enough of a deterrent to noncompliance. He had recently been in Skagway where they have a \$500/day fine after a 30 day notice. He would like to discuss in more depth at next meeting. It was suggested that further outreach may be a good future step such as inviting CBJ and community members to a meeting related to enforcement and fines and/or doing a presentation to planning commission.

3. Juneau Empire articles – Why Historic Preservation Matters

Mention was made of the recent submittal by Jane Lindsay and others are encouraged to also share their perspectives with letters.

VII. Committee Member Comments –

none

VIII. Next Meeting October 1, 2014 at 5:00 pm, City Hall Room 225

IX. Adjournment 6:45