

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

Wednesday, September 4, 2013  
City Hall Building, Room 224  
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Gillette (Chair)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Harris (Vice-Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> (vacant)                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shauna McMahon (Recorder) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Sowers  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Myra Gilliam      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marie Darlin              | <input type="checkbox"/> (vacant)                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gerald Gottschall |

Staff:  Jane Lindsey (CBJ, Juneau-Douglas City Museum)  
 Jon Lange (CBJ Community Development)  
 Laura Boyce (CBJ Community Development)

Public Guests: Greg Smith – City maintenance  
Marcy- wife of new member Mark Sowers  
Theresa- JDCM HVAC project

- I. Call to Order: 5:03 pm
- 1a. Member introductions Round robin introductions for benefit of new HRAC member  
Mark Sower has background in History, political science, and economics
- II. Approval of Agenda: .Addition to new business- Brotherhood Bridge. Also switch New  
Business item 2 and New Business item #1 so allow arrival of project  
manager. Approved unanimously.
- III. Approval of Minutes: approved unanimously
- IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none
- V. New Business:
  2. Museum Main Street Entrance Project Update

Jane Lindsay provided photos of current status of Main Street project. She noted that brick walkway is providing good congregation area and area to study totem. Some discussion was made regarding sloped angle of first step from corner of Main St and Calhoun to Museum.

1. Museum HVAC planning update

Project representative noted that design at 35% completion step. 11 condensing units on cement bases at back of museum are part of design.

3. Empty Chair Exhibit update

Sculpture at Capitol Park is planned for install July 2014. JDCM exhibit is scheduled for May 2014. It will include biographies of families and art related to internment event and representative artists such as artist "Fumi" (sp?). There are multiple grants for education events associated with Empty Chair project.

4. Treadwell Saltwater Pump House Exhibit Idea w/ CLG grant

Potential fundraiser at Douglas Island Museum was mentioned since location uses image as logo and has painting of subject. The mention of a JDCM exhibit and/or Coffee & Collection event featuring paintings with Saltwater Pump House as subject.

5. FY14 HBF Grant Applications Available

It was noted that Kim Keefer, City Director, has interest in digitizing Evergreen Cemetery Map as potential CLG prospect. Cost of ~\$70,000. HRAC member expressed interest in learning more about project description and methodology. Gary Gillette highlighted for City consideration and benefits that CLG project end dates would be September 2015 and grant 60/40 match requirement.

Gary Gillette mentioned potential Last Chance Mining area proposal associated with electrical tower leaning on transformer house. He recommended adding topics to October HRAC meeting after he obtains additional data relating to scope and costs.

The Preservation Plan was mentioned as perennial prospective CLG project idea. It was suggested that CBJ staff establish current CDD interest and support levels for such project.

6. Brotherhood Bridge

Commentary received by DOT regarding proposed interpretive panels was shared with HRAC members. Two main responses were shared by HRAC members. 1) It was noted that captioning and titling of bridge names may need further verification. For example, on Panel 1 it lists an original 1903 bridge but Marie didn't think the 1903 bridge had a superstructure. Marie Darlin noted the bridge name Lower Mendenhall Bridge. HRAC member further reiterated the need for precision in bridge names on the panels. 2) It was also observed that the formatting order of the panel titles (for example Bridge Brotherhood) would be helped with a more natural order. Guest Marcy Sowers noted the in panel discussion of eagle and raven it may be, more accurate to use moiety as opposed to clan. Gary Gillette said he would send comments directly to DOT representative Hillary Lindh.

Old Business:

1. CBJ Grant Updates- Long Range Planning

Contractor Ira completed his project and noted the help of having outside perspective. Jane Lindsay asked board for comments regarding next stages for the Long Range Plan- such as assembly adoption? Jane Lindsay was able to confirm that the totems associated with JDCM were historic. Satellite areas concept from Plan was further discussed by HRAC members-in particularly potentials related to schools, Willoughby District revamp, and possible Maritime Museum. Also talked about was the wording regarding "expansion limits" on page 9 of the Plan and the need for rephrasing to more accurately describe theoretical and practical limitations on grounds or building expansion. Jane Lindsay asked that any comments on the Plan be submittal by the end of the week.

2. Retreat Planning - staff

A Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup> date was established as this year's retreat date. The regular meeting will still be held October 2 allowing the retreat to be more focused. Retreat topics of interest include

- 1) signage, enforcement, and sandwich boards
- 2) temporary structures and standards
- 3) Plaques for contributing structures
- 4) Native design and standards.

Removal of current term limit language in by-laws was suggested as item in regular 10/2/13 meeting. Gary Gillette asked that Jon provide background on the retreat topics and the associated department direction/intents. This should help focus the retreat topic discussion.

VII. Committee Member Comments

none

VII. Next Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 2, 2013. (City Hall Room 224)

VIII. Adjournment: Approximately 6:45 pm