

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

Wednesday, January 4, 2017
CDD Conference Room, Marine View Building
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:

___ Zane Jones (Chair) ___ Don Harris (Vice-Chair) ___ Shauna McMahon (recorder)
Abs Karenza Bott ___ Myra Gilliam ___ Gerald Gottschall
___ Gary Gillette _Abs_ John J. Fox ___ Chuck Smythe

Staff: _Abs_ Laura Boyce (CBJ Community Development)
 ___ Allison Eddins (CBJ Community Development)

Guest:

- I. Call to Order: 5:05
- II. Approval of Agenda: Added item under business- Arctic Bar. Approved unanimously
- III. Approval of Minutes: approved unanimously with correction of spelling for Chuck Smythe. (Gary-moved, Don 2nd)
- IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none
- V. Business
 - 1. Historic Preservation Plan - grant update

Amount of \$25,000 probably funded mid-year. Will want to brainstorm and plan for next phase around April.
 - 2. Prioritizing HRAC's 2017 goals.

A draft list of goals was presented to refine discussion on priorities and actions. Shauna noted that with the amount of downtown projects that it is a good time build outreach to downtown groups while energy high. Gary emphasized realistic and tangible outcomes. A continued effort on surveys was discussed such as the Behrends neighborhood that is nearing historic thresholds.

2. Prioritizing HRAC's 2017 goals- continued

HRAC had discussions of signs related to Tlingit place names or more general area heritage. This could have a tangible outcome related to number of submittals to consider and ultimate goal of number to complete annually. Myra Gilliam introduced the concept of labelling creeks with their Tlingit place names. A new Tlingit language sign at University of Alaska inspired HRAC discussion of developing a Tlingit language welcoming sign at the airport. Potential Outreach events were also discussed. This included a meet n' greet with a brewing history theme, walking tours, and a historic preservation theme public run.

3. Creating a Work Plan

The group mentioned more immediate planning for goals. For the Tlingit signs this included creating a work plan to focus and facilitate project development. Creating an HRAC liaison role in Main Street project was also emphasized. There was dialogue about the complexities of Tlingit historic site distribution, stakeholder outreach goals, and formal historical district lines.

Two other outreach opportunities were mentioned. Youth will be working on cemetery maintenance projects. There was a recent CBJ history project connecting building heritage with historic figures in Evergreen Cemetery. HRAC could support availability of brochures and a related talk to the student cemetery project attendees. Expanding on this idea perhaps the students could be developed as interpreters.

HRAC members revisited the idea of developing a "shoreline" heritage interpretation. This included ideas such as simple shoreline extents markers over time to more complex discussion of neighborhood, terrain, and community development related to the shoreline and its changes.

4. The Narrows (former Arctic Bar Bldg) est.1910

A proposed project to expand window and use brick facing. The use of brick was a concern in fitting historically used material.

MOTION: Request that CBJ staff compose letter noting the building is subject to district standards & guidelines, with emphasis on use of historically used materials.

VI. Committee Member Comments – the embedded street medallions was mentioned. HRAC members requested CBJ staff invite the consultant and artist (Rico Worl) to HRAC meeting.

VII. Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday February 1, 2017 5:00 pm City Hall Room 244

VIII. Adjournment 6:50 pm