

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

Wednesday, October 8, 2014
Juneau-Douglas City Museum
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:

___ Gary Gillette (Chair) ___ Don Harris (Vice-Chair) ___ Shauna McMahon (recorder)
Abs Marie Darlin ___ Gerald Gotschall ___ Sorrel Nikko
Abs Myra Gilliam ___ \ Zane Jones Abs Michael Tripp

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

Guest:
 None

- I. Call to Order: 5:00 pm,

- II. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously. Added NPS Geotechnical Boring as new business

- 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 Downtown Historic District Issues Discussion-signage

Laura Boyce asked about creating subcommittee to address signage and related downtown issues. Michael Trip, Zane Jones, Don Harris, and Laura Boyce are initial members of the new committee. This committee could consider advocacy for steeper fines related to signage. Other topics of interest were enforcing sidewalk maintenance by owner, creating a “hot list” of HRAC district issues, concerns of building vacancy and business interest in being in “historic” district. The question of whether to focus on signs or make broader came up and the committee decided to keep narrow focus on signs.

2. US DOT/FHA Project Review

Review of the project lead to more general questions of protocols and information access back to HRAC. Sorrell Goodwin was concerned about transparency, awareness, and follow-up in project where a grave is encountered. Could HRAC be considered for access to the AHRS database and Sealaska archives for review of projects?

3. NPS Geotechnical Boring Project

An October 2, 2014 letter from the National Park Service was handed out to HRAC members. The letter addressed a possible water table study at the Indian Point Field Office and associated bore holes. HRAC committee discussed nomination efforts and jurisdiction of the area near "Auke Rec". There was a previous nomination to historic register effort. The lands include a federally owned portion so the nomination application has to be submitted by the federal owner.

VI Old Business

1. SLAM Flicker Feather update – Laura Boyce

The HRAC letter will be presented to the Committee of the Whole on 10/27/14. Alaska State Museum officials and other relevant parties will be there to talk about the building construction. Laura will confirm and email meeting time.

2. Auke Bay Plan Update

Laura Boyce noted that there is a cultural chapter planned for the Auke Bay Plan. Laura will email draft and HRAC members can submit comments to her. There is Steering Committee meeting this coming Saturday. There were some related information resources mentioned by HRAC members: Survey information from Auke lake trail, HDR Statter Harbor report and research, and possibly resources in the Sealaska archives (Sorrell Goodwin to check). Sorrell mentioned a period a land sales relating to Sheep Creek Mary.

3. Grant Updates

Laura Boyce noted that a CLG grant proposal for Juneau Preservation Plan preparation was submitted this week and some initial positive feedback was received. The Evergreen Mapping Project is proceeding with a signed contract and that role leaderships is being defined and to be concurred by the assembly. The Annensaries grant relating to Lost Chance Mine has been appropriated and has started. The Sentinal Island Lighthouse project has specially shaped glass on order. There is also a ball vent and painting aspects to the Sentinel lighthouse project. The Last Chance Mine power tower project has been appropriated and started- a structural engineer report is the main product.

VII Committee Comments

There was mentioned of a Seward statue project in the Juneau courthouse plaza. Currently the artist solicitation has been narrowed to two. The Empty Chair Project and Marie Darlin were both recipients of Museums Alaska awards at the recent meeting.

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

IX Adjournment 6:41