

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

Wednesday, November 2, 2016
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)
___ Karenza Bott _Abs_ Myra Gilliam ___ Gerald Gottschall
___ Gary Gillette _Abs_ John J. Fox ___ Chuck Smythe

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

Guest: Marie Darlin

- I. Call to Order: 5:15
- II. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously
- III. Approval of Minutes: approved unanimously with correction of Chuck Smythe as member
- IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items:
Marie Darlin and Allison Eddins noted Main Street USA meeting at Red Dog Saloon- large attendance. Juneau had previously been part of National Trust Main Street USA in the 1990s.
- V. Business
Lots of thanks for service and best wishes to Gerald Gottshall who is leaving Juneau and HRAC
 1. Historic Preservation Plan - grant update

Final report issued. The grant contract allows for skipping RFP process should phase 2 get awarded. Should know if awarded at end of November. There are also expected to be followup grant rounds in February,

2. Prioritizing HRAC's 2017 Goals

Cross Cultural Communication and respect was mentioned as high concern. Father Oleska video and Sealaska presentation were noted as resources. Tlingit places interpretation is tagged onto a CBJ Parks & Rec CIAP entry. Karenza Bott is going to coordinate with contacts to generate short list of Tlingit place names/locales. A subcommittee was formed for outreach on dual language and engagement in placenames sign effort. It includes Karenza Bott, Gary Gillette, and possibly Chuck Smythe. Gary Gillette suggested a larger interpretation of an area could be beneficial and the path on the main street parking garage may be a good opportunity. HRAC members also brought up cultural migrations to Juneau – Serbian miners, Filipino fishermen, etc- and the desire to support illuminating these histories as well.

Recent legal precedents have caused a need to revisit signage code for content neutrality. CDD and associated law staff are currently researching.

Gerald Gottschall noted that more coordinating with stakeholders should be a highlighted goal. He would like more outreach by HRAC re projects by DBA and the Main Street Project. It is a good moment to educate about the value of historic district with the energy and projects occurring. Gary Gillette noted that business owner incentives like fire sprinkler programs and tax breaks are ways the city can support business owners in historic district- difficult though to get passed by assembly.

- VI. Committee Member Comments – Chuck Smythe noted upcoming Sealaska events and the Native American Month noon lecture series.
- VII. Next Regular Meeting – December 7, 2016 5:00 pm City Hall Room 244
- VIII. Adjournment 6:40