

Minutes of the City and Borough of Juneau
Historic Resources Advisory Committee
 Regular Meeting – March 2, 2022
 Zoom Webinar Meeting

MEMBERS	
Name	Attendance
Zane Jones	
Shannon Crossley	X
Shauna McMahon	X
Gary Gillette	X
VACANT	
Sarah Hieb	X
Olivia Lihou	X
Dorene Lorenz	X
Chuck Smythe	

STAFF	
Name	Attendance
Beth McKibben	X
Niko Sanguinetti	X
Scott Ciambor	X

- I. Call to Order at 5:05
- II. Approval of Agenda
 - Agenda approved as presented.
- III. Approval –no minutes
- IV. Public Comment
 - Don Harris attended as a member of the public and had no comments at this time.
- V. Juneau Townsite Project Update
 - Northwind and gave an update –public Kick Off meeting on February 17th. Meeting was attended by a number of HRAC member and four members of the general public. Overall it was a positive meeting. Photos of sites will start soon as the snow melts.
 - Dorene mentioned that the Pioneers of Alaska are interested in the project and may like a presentation. It will provide additional networking opportunities.
 - Gary stated the meeting went well and the process was well laid out, is a reasonable and good approach.
 - One member of the public approached Northwind with interest in the tax credit program. They were advised to hold off until after the survey is complete.

- Shauna also thought the meeting went well. It provided a good opportunity to educate the public about historic programs, resources and the HRAC.
- Dorene met with the Seward Historic Preservation group and they were wondering how Juneau decides to name their historic buildings when the builders weren't there long term.
- Gary noted that using the builder is good practice. If that's not available or well known then the name of the person who lived there the longest. Sometimes Juneau uses hyphenated names, both the builder and long term tenant.
- Northwind received a call from Ben Paul. His family were longtime residents of the Townsite but did not own the property. Would it be appropriate to name a structure for a long term tenant.
- Gary said it could be a secondary name and appropriate when there is documentation.
- Beth asked if SHPO provides guidance for how historic properties are named.
- Gary said there are no strict guidelines, they prefer the process already discussed.

VI. Valentine Building – Canopy input

- Northwind explained that the Valentine building received a predevelopment grant for structural repair and design metal and glass canopy. Building originally had no canopy but change in code made it necessary to install.
- Proposed design is 6 inches of steel. Leaning away from greys and choose a bronze with glass. For canopy the proposal is standard color, white.
- Gary notes his personal preference is that white is a good choice.
- Shannon says only concern is that white can get dirty; recommends we ask owner to clean once a year if they choose white.
- Gary adds also some maintenance of the glass to make it look good.
- Sarah likes the white as personal preference, not necessarily from a historical perspective.
- Dorene does not care for white because in Seward everything white looks mossy. White usually lasts one season. She prefers black or grey for sustainability and looking good.
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- **Motion:** Gary to approve the canopy color as recommended by the architect which is white.
- Dorene abstain, unanimous consent.

VI. Committee Comments

- Sarah heard Niko on the radio talking about the raising of the totem poles. Niko will send official invitation for the ceremony which is at 1 PM at the State Office Building on Friday March 11. The ceremony will also be available by livestream and the link will be provided in the invitation.
- Shauna says congratulations. The event was mentioned at Rotary.

- Dorene asks if there are 2 more totem poles to place? She noted that Pioneers Club of Alaska are looking for projects to fund and to please send a blurb to add in newsletter.
- Gary welcomed Scott. He shared difficulty with lack of enforcement for the historic district standards and frustration when HRAC recommendations are blatantly ignored. He would like to see improved/increased compliance and enforcement. He would like this added to a future agenda
- Beth asked for clarification - it is ignoring the recommendations or not going through the review. Gary notes both scenarios.
- Beth notes that Blueprint Downtown has lots of support for Historic and Cultural Preservation plan, design standards, and funding opportunities that come with a historic district or property. Blueprint also speaks to economic benefits of heritage tourism.
- Shauna says good to bring up now as we get toward summer. She reminded everyone of the window standards, sign regulations and sandwich boards, etc.
- Shannon adds windows being replaced, renovation work on exterior of buildings in the historic district should be coming to HRAC. HRAC should be used as a resource. It's about the longevity of the historic resources.
- Beth noted that CDD does outreach on information for signs in the historic district and this is on the radar for this year.

VII. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 5:49 pm

Next Meeting – April 6, 2022