



Historic Preservation Commission - Regular Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, May 04, 2021 at 4:30 PM
Ketchum City Hall
480 East Avenue North, Ketchum, ID 83340

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Vice-Chair Wendolyn Holland.

PRESENT

Vice-Chair Wendolyn Holland
Commissioner Jennifer Cosgrove - via teleconference
Commissioner Jakub Galczynski
Commissioner Rick Reynolds

ABSENT

Chairman Mattie Mead

CONSENT CALENDAR—ACTION ITEMS

1. Minutes of April 20, 2021

Motion to approve the Minutes of April 20, 2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Reynolds, Seconded by Commissioner Galczynski.

Voting Yea: Vice-Chair Holland, Commissioner Cosgrove, Commissioner Galczynski, Commissioner Reynolds

STAFF AND COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS (Historical Preservation Commission Deliberation, Public Comment may be taken)—ACTION ITEMS

2. Review and discussion of Logan Simpson Scope of Work

Director Suzanne Frick introduced Jennifer Gardner of Logan-Simpson, consultant for the City of Ketchum.

Gardner named the four steps the Commission will be following:

1. Historic Building List
2. Draft a set of design guidelines and finalize those guidelines.
3. Adoption of a Permanent Ordinance
4. Historic Preservation Handbook outlining the process for property owners.

Gardner spoke to the selection of buildings for the Preservation List, characteristics of architecture and historical significance.

Commissioner Cosgrove asked about different designations. Gardner explained designations of Historic District, National Historic Register, and tax consequences.

Director Frick related the National Historic Register was the highest level of protection. Local landmarks important to the community can also be protected. A Structure of Merit is a structure in an Historic District.

There was a discussion of the location of the buildings. Frick related the Community Core was named as the first area of concern as structures in that area were most under pressure for demolition. The goal is for the Standards to apply city-wide. Ketchum has access to grants for additional survey work for the rest of the City.

Vice-Chair Holland suggested Areas of Interest such as Mining, Sheep Industry, etc.

Commissioner Galczynski asked if there were properties that had been modified so as to lose their historical significance. Gardner replied that such a structure would still have significance to the community.

Director Frick related the oldest buildings, in the worst shape, had the most significance. The ones that had been maintained with modern materials had lost much of their historical significance.

Commissioner Holland suggested a list of buildings that had been lost since the 2005 list. It may spotlight the type of buildings to be preserved. She asked about areas of interest, such as the Philadelphia Smelter, Hemingway's haunts, train station, etc.

The Commission wanted to address incentives to property owners at a future meeting.

3. Discussion and questions about background information for Commission review and consideration.

Vice-Chair Holland brought up the information provided to the Commission, including the 2005 Survey, State Statutes, the Interim Ordinance, Community Surveys, etc.

Director Frick related the first list contained over 100 properties. The list was narrowed to 26 properties within the Community Core. Those will be the first area to focus on. Each property to be included should be evaluated. The Commission should determine if others should be on the list.

Commissioner Cosgrove asked about Appeals and was told the City Council would be the appealing agency. She also brought up transfer of development rights for historic properties. This was rejected by the State Courts in the past and so not an option at this point.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Motion to Adjourn.

Motion made by Commissioner Galczynski, Seconded by Commissioner Reynolds.

Voting Yea: Vice-Chair Holland, Commissioner Cosgrove, Commissioner Galczynski, Commissioner Reynolds

Wendolyn Holland
Acting Chairperson