

MINUTES OF THE DALLES  
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING  
NOVEMBER 30, 1994 LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Chairman Gleason called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Pat May, Eric Kleiner, Eric Gleason, Jacqueline Cheung, John Skirving.

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Keillor and Kay Prouty

MINUTES: Skirving moved to approve the minutes of the October 26th meeting as presented. Kleiner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Gleason asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak on any subject not on the agenda.

Jean Krier said she would like to see freeway signs for the two Historic Districts in The Dalles.

DISCUSSION:

Keillor asked the Commission to suggest ten properties for the installation of plaques.

Keillor said there were several art deco buildings located in The Dalles such as The Dalles High School and Halton Tractor Building. He said these building could be considered for sites to place a historic plaque.

The Commission listed several historic properties and requested staff to compile a list for discussion at the next meeting.

FREEWAY SIGNS:

Keillor said he had contacted the State Highway Department about freeway signs and they explained the freeway in this area is saturated with signs. Keillor said possibly the wording on the existing signs could be changed. He said this would allow space for the words "Historic Districts". Keillor said he would call the Highway Department and update the Commission at the next HLC meeting.

MURALS:

Keillor said the mural at East Second and Federal on the Maier and Krier Building is complete. He said this mural completes the Federal Street corridor.

Gleason said murals should not over shadow the history of the historic buildings.

May said the downtown area is dirty and property owners need to take pride in the community.

Keillor asked the Commission if they felt murals should be allowed in a historic district.

Skirving said he felt each request to place a mural should be reviewed and judged on its own merit.

Kleiner said he remembered discussing discouraging murals on historic buildings. He said he felt the murals would be better placed on buildings that need to be improved. Kleiner said the murals need to be at scale and portioned with the buildings. He said he was disappointed in the scale of the newest mural.

Keillor said it may be best to have a full drawing with elevations of any future murals.

Kleiner said he felt that future drawings should be to scale with size and colors to be used.

Cheung said she did not agree with evaluating each mural request. She said the last minute application is sometimes used as leverage.

Keillor said he would write a letter to the Mural Society and explain that the Commission will discourage placement of murals on primary and secondary buildings in The Dalles.

Cheung said that there are many building that are in need of repair. She said a mural may discourage refurbishment of facades.

Keillor said there is a need for a joint meeting with the Mural Society and Historic Landmarks Commission to encourage working together on placement of murals.

Kleiner moved to instruct staff to draft a letter to the Mural Society to include 1) timely application request, 2) application to include scaled drawing with elevations, methods, and color, 3) consider each application, 4) discourage placement of murals on primary and secondary buildings.

Skirving seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### SHAKER VILLAGE:

Keillor said there had been two meetings with Henry Kunowski, SHPO, Warm Springs and Yakima Indian Tribes, and the Shilo Inn

Manager. He said there has been discussion of hiring a University of Oregon student to work at the Shaker Village site and refurbish the buildings. Keillor said the Indian Tribes do not want to see the buildings moved. Keillor asked the Commission to help locate some old pictures of the Shaker Village prior to construction of the Shilo Inn.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Eric B. Gleason Eric Gleason, Chairman

Scott Keillor Scott Keillor, Secretary