

# HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 1999

City Hall Council Chambers  
313 Court Street  
The Dalles, OR 97058  
Conducted in a handicap accessible room.

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eric Gleason at 4:00 P.M.

## ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Eric Gleason, Robert Parker,  
Pat May, and Dr. John Skirving.

The following Commissioners were absent: John Lambert, and Museum  
Representative.

Staff present: Bob Paul, Associate Planner,  
Dorothy Davison, City Council Representative,  
and Dawn Marie Hert, Administrative  
Secretary.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gleason asked the Commission if they had any changes that needed to be made to the Minutes of May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1998.

May moved for approval of the May 27<sup>th</sup> Minutes, Skirving seconded, and the motion passed unanimously, Lambert absent.

## PUBLIC HEARING - Quasi- Judicial

HLC #49-99 of Rebecca Street Landmark status is being reviewed in relation to this structure's significance or contribution to the historic resources of our community. The period of significance in this application is from 1908 to 1947. It is during this period that this structure was constructed for and occupied by the Kelly's, who made significant contributions to our City. The property is located at 921 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, and zoned "RH" - Residential Medium/High Density.

Gleason read the rules for a Quasi-Judicial Hearing and asked if any Commissioner wished to declare bias, conflict of interest, or ex-parte contact. Hearing none, Gleason opened the public hearing and asked for the Staff Report.

Bob Paul, Associate Planner, summarized the Staff Report.

PROPONENT

There were no proponents.

OPPONENT

There were no opponents.

Gleason commented that the home owner, Rebecca Street, was in the audience and would be willing to answer any questions that the Commission had for her.

Gleason asked Street if the vinyl siding that is currently on the house would be removed, he also asked about removing the vinyl windows.

Rebecca Street, 921 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, told the Commission that the siding would all be taken off of the house. They are currently working on the house in phases. She said that they were planning to replace the windows with ones that were similar to the originals.

Parker asked Paul if the applicant would have to come before the Commission for any further renovations on the house.

Paul said that she would for exterior modifications, excluding minor alterations.

Gleason asked Street if she was planning on applying for a special assessment.

Street said that she had planned to apply for a special assessment.

May commented that she could not hear Street's answers to the questions.

Street came forward and gave a short explanation of what she was doing and why.

Skirving gave a short recollection of his experiences and knowledge of the Kelly family.

Street commented on the research that Sally Donovan had done for her on the house. She was favorable impressed with the amount of information that was available. She said that what Dr. Skirving had to say about the family was very consistent with Donovan's findings.

Gleason closed the public hearing.

Gleason said that he felt that the application met all the Landmark criteria.

Skirving and May agreed.

Skirving moved to approve HLC 49-99, May seconded, and the vote passed unanimously Lambert absent.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Valerie Ingebo Gardenia, 1021 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, commented on the networking of community green spaces and open spaces that are talked about in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Gardenia talked about the importance of preserving areas here in The Dalles. She suggested a few areas that are here in The Dalles for sale at this time that would be nice to have as green or open spaces.

Gardenia concluded by asking that the City, County, State and the Parks and Recreation Department place a priority on preserving these areas, and take advantage of the Federal monies that are available for preserving these types of areas.

### COMMISSION COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Paul handed out last years goals to the Commission.

Paul suggested that the Commission look at these goals and think about the goals that they would like to set for this year. Paul said that they would be discussed at a later HLC meeting.

Paul said that the grant cycle is approaching, and that he would be receiving a packet asking if the Commission had projects for the fiscal year.

Paul said that he would like to get a head start on the process as soon as possible.

Paul said that the State is looking for an educational project rather than a renovation project, basically they have been denying any application for renovations.

Paul asked that the Commission think of a few projects that they would like to take on.

May asked why they were not able to get the monies that they used to get.

Paul explained that the Federal Government has cut the money they are giving to the State for Historic Preservation which means less for our HLC.

Skirving asked about the Shaker Church.

Paul said that the Chronicle published an article regarding the Shaker Village, and one person showed interest in the project, but soon became uninterested.

Gleason said that he just had received a telephone call from a woman in Hood River who was interested in what was going on with the Shaker Village. He said that she may be able to get the interested parties together.

Skiving asked about the Pioneer Cemetery.

Paul said that the only thing that had been done with the Cemetery was that Commissioner Gleason had repaired a wrought iron fence that had been damaged by a large tree.

May commented on how she enjoyed cleaning up the Pioneer Cemetery last year with Eric Gleason, and thought that they should do something like that again.

Gleason suggested that they talk to someone about getting some help on Community Clean-Up Day.

Gleason talked about the work on the shed behind the Old Courthouse progressing slowly. He said that they got an estimate on re-roofing the building, the roofer volunteered his time but the materials would still cost about \$1000.00.


#### NEXT MEETING DATE

The next scheduled meeting date of the Historic Landmark Commission will be February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1999 at 4:00 P.M., in City Hall Council Chambers.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Marie Hert, Administrative Secretary.



Eric Gleason, Chair  
Historic Landmark Commission