

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, April 25th, 2001

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

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair John Lambert called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: John Lambert, Bob McNary,
Francine Havercroft, Pat May.

The following Commissioners were absent: Eric Gleason

Staff present: Bob Paul, Senior Planner
Dorothy Davison, Council Rep.
Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary

Pat May made the announcement that her commission expires on May 31, 2001, and she does not wish to be reappointed. She has enjoyed being on the Commission for many years. Due to her health, however, she needs to step down. She reminded everyone that she is a visual historian and has photographs that are a legacy she and her husband created. These are available at her home.

May also wanted to thank the Mid-Columbia Healthcare Equipment company for supplying the wheelchair at no charge during the Historic Landmarks Commission 1st Street walk through with the Mural Society.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

McNary moved that the minutes of February 28, 2001, be approved. May seconded. The motion was passed unanimously; Gleason absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Havercroft moved the agenda be approved. McNary seconded. The motion passed unanimously; Gleason absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bev Wilkerson, 609 W. 11th, The Dalles, Oregon spoke about St. Peters Landmark. She thanked the Historic Landmarks Commission for all their support and help. On June 2,

from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. and June 3, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M., St Peters Landmark will be holding an open house for their 30-year anniversary. She invited everyone to come and enjoy the scheduled entertainment and participate in the opening of the treasure box they have found in the basement of St. Peters Landmark. They will also be recruiting a new generation of volunteers for continued work on the preservation of our historic landmarks. The current volunteers will be honored at the open house.

Havercroft commented that she had attended the St. Patrick's Day event at St. Peters. She felt there was an incredible turn-out and was very impressed with the performance and atmosphere. She wished Bev Wilkerson the best on the St. Peters open house.

PUBLIC HEARING (QUASI JUDICIAL)

HLC #58-01: Construction of a Carriage House at 608 West 6th Street. This hearing is rescheduled for May 30th, 2001.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. PRESENTATION BY THE DALLES MURAL SOCIETY

Gary Honald and Rusty Hampton, representing the Mural Society, showed the Commissioners some pictures of buildings on which murals might be placed.

During Honalds' presentation, Lambert stated that the Commission did not feel comfortable making any decisions on these buildings without Commissioner Gleason being present.

Bob Paul, Senior Planner, further explained that the Mural Society would need to approach the building owners first and receive permission from them. An application for each building would then need to be submitted to Bob Paul at the Planning Department. There would then be a public hearing for each application. At that point, the Historic Landmarks Commission would decide which buildings could have murals.

Honald apologized for not understanding the sequence of approval. He had understood that the 1st Street walk through would allow the Commissioners to view the proposed buildings and give preliminary approval for those buildings on which they would allow murals. Honald would then approach those building owners for permission. He felt the Mural Society would be spending unnecessary time tracking down building owners of structures the Historic Landmarks Commission would then not approve.

2. OLD POST OFFICE

Paul advised the Commission that the building has changed hands and is now owned by Amerititle. They will be paving the parking lot.

May stated that the Post Office Building holds two types of landmark status, one for the exterior of the building and one for the interior.

Paul added that they are preserving all necessary interior items due to this landmark status.

3. PIONEER CEMETERY

Paul said that a water tap will be installed at the Pioneer Cemetery. He introduced Earline Wasser, Community Volunteer, to speak about the cemetery.

Wasser told the Commission about the Clean-Up Day scheduled for May 12th, 2001. They will be picking up debris and doing some landscaping. They will not be doing anything to the headstones. Wasser also wanted to acknowledge that an Eagle Scout has painted the fence and another Eagle Scout is making a sign so people will recognize the cemetery.

Dorothy Davison left the meeting at 5:09 P.M.

Lambert moved on to the next discussion item. GIS Grant Status.

Paul said that it was getting late in the day and the last two discussion items could be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next scheduled meeting date of the Historic Landmark Commission will be May 30th at 4:00 P.M., in City Hall Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary.



John Lambert, Acting Chair
Historic Landmark Commission