



HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, February 26, 2003

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eric Gleason called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Planner Hert introduced the new Commissioner, Daniel Dundon. Mr. Dundon shared his background with the Commission and Staff.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present:

Eric Gleason, Anita Clason,
Dixie Parker, and Daniel Dundon

The following Commissioners were absent:

Bob McNary

Staff present:

Dawn Hert, Planner
Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary
Dorothy Davison, City Council Rep.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Parker moved that the agenda be approved. Clason seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously with McNary absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

PUBLIC HEARING-Quasi-Judicial

Historic Landmarks Commission Application #78-03 of Daniel & Meleah Dundon to nominate the historic Davenport family home (Krauss Homeplace) for inventory designation to the local Historic Register.

Mr. Dundon is the applicant so he removed himself from the panel. He handed out pictures of the Krauss house for the Commission to see.

Chair Gleason read the rules for conducting a public hearing. No Commission member had any ex-parte contact or bias to declare.

Planner Hert presented the Staff Report and asked for questions.

Parker asked if the gate across the driveway was permanent.

Meleah Dundon said that particular gate was not permanent and is a temporary security measure. Eventually there will be a nice gate installed.

Commissioners and Staff discussed historic plaques. Hert said she recalled the cost is around \$400 and making this a condition of approval could be cost prohibitive to some applicants. Hert said SHPO grants were used previously to pay for half the price of the plaques.

Dundon said he planned on placing a historical plaque on his property.

Proponent Testimony

Daniel Dundon, 1826 W. Scenic Drive, The Dalles, spoke in favor of the application. He and his wife plan on making the home a historic Bed and Breakfast. The Dundon's are the first owners of the home outside of the Krauss/Davenport family. The home is in original condition with the exception of some minor changes. Mr. Dundon invited the Commission and Staff to come and visit the house.

Clason asked how many bedrooms there would be.

Meleah Dundon said there would be four large bedrooms upstairs. The downstairs bedroom will be converted into a game room. Mr. Dundon has a large collection of board games. Watching television will not be encouraged at the Bed and Breakfast.

Lou Davenport, Vancouver, WA, spoke next. Mr. Davenport is the grandson of the homebuilder. Mr. Davenport shared his family history with the Commission and Staff. He is pleased with the Dundon's plans for his family home.

Daniel Dundon said he plans on remodeling the caretaker cottage for he and his wife to live in. They also want to re-create the original dormers. The sleeping porch railing is too low currently. The Dundon's are looking at the possibilities for making that railing meet code.

Opponent Testimony

There were no opponents.

Commissioner Deliberation

The Commissioner's agreed this home should be on the local registry. Parker moved to approve HLC application 78-03 to place the Krauss Homeplace on the local historic registry and Clason seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with McNary absent and Dundon abstaining.

The Dundon's invited the Commission and Staff to come and look through their home. It was decided to meet at City Hall at 2:45 PM on Wednesday, March 26, 2003. Eric Gleason will pick everyone up in his Stanley Steamer car.

RESOLUTION

Clason moved to adopt Resolution 75-03 approving HLC 78-03 and Parker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with McNary absent and Dundon abstaining.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Parker moved the minutes of January 22, 2003 be approved and Clason seconded. The motion passed unanimously with McNary absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Sixth Street Bridge Plaque – An interpretive sign is to be placed on the bridge. The funding is available through Urban Renewal. The Commission directed Staff to prepare the language for the sign and to locate a company that will recreate a sign that looks like the local historic signs already in place.

Fourth Street Grade – An accident on Fourth Street Grade caused a good amount of damage to the rock barrier. The perpetrator was discovered at a local auto body repair. It is believed her insurance will cover the masonry repair. The rock barrier will be re-pointed at some point in the near future should the item be approved on the budget. It appears the stone was not damaged.

Grants – Hert will be applying for the next HLC Grant on March 25, 2003. The Committee directed Hert to proceed with a grant of \$3,500 for the preservation plan for the Pioneer Cemetery. Gleason asked Hert to put in for \$500 for Historic Plaques. Hert will also be applying for \$3000 for CLG support. These are all matching grants.


NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2003.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted by Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary.


Eric Gleason, Chair
Historic Landmark Commission