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HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, March 24, 2004

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 4:05 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present:

Eric Gleason, Daniel Dundon, Bob McNary and

Dixie Parker

The following Commissioners were absent:

Anita Clason

Staff present:

Dawn Hert, Historic Landmarks Secretary Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gleason asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of February 25, 2004. Dundon moved to approve the minutes as submitted and Parker seconded. The motion carried unanimously, Clason absent.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> - Earline Wasser, 1017B Pomona, The Dalles, Oregon, notified the Commission and Staff that the annual Pioneer Cemetery clean up will be held on Saturday, May 15th from 9 am to Noon. Mrs. Wasser said she needs volunteers because AmeriCorp is not operating in our area any longer.

Wasser said the storage shed for the Cemetery is still needed. Wasser feels an 8'X 10' shed would be more than adequate.

The Commission and Hert had a brief discussion regarding construction ideas and funding of the shed. Hert said she would discuss the storage shed with historic consultant Sally Donovan who can provide ideas as to where the shed should be placed at the cemetery as well as the type of materials to use. Hert

said a public hearing would be required for approval. Hert said she would check with State Building Codes to make sure this would not require a "commercial" building permit.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u> - Historic Landmarks Commission Application #83-04 of Wasco County/Fort Dalles Museum to stabilize the Anderson Granary by replacing the foundation timbers.

The Granary was moved to the site ca. 1973. The property is located at 16th and Garrison and is zoned "RL"- Residential Low Density. The historic name of the building is the Anderson Granary.

Gleason read the rules for conducting a public hearing. He asked if any Commissioner had ex-parte contact, bias, or a conflict of interest. McNary said he is biased in favor of the application and will probably be doing some of the work. Gleason said he drew up the drawings and has looked at the property. Both McNary and Gleason recused themselves from the hearing and took seats in the audience.

Parker assumed the Chair and declared the public hearing open. Hert presented the Staff Report and asked for questions.

Dundon asked if any archeological materials had ever been found on the site and Hert said she wasn't sure but perhaps the applicant might be.

Parker opened the hearing for public testimony.

Proponent Testimony: Eric Gleason, 704 Case Street, The Dalles, Oregon said the Anderson complex buildings were moved to the site in the 1970's. Excavation took place before the house and granary were moved to the site so it is unlikely anything would be found during the maintenance. Gleason provided a brief description of what the stabilization of the granary would entail.

Opponent Testimony: None

Parker closed the public testimony portion of the hearing.

Deliberation: Parker said she applauds them for trying to save the granary and not letting it get beyond repair. Dundon said he agrees.

Dundon moved to approve HLC 83-04 of Wasco County/Fort Dalles Museum to stabilize the Anderson Granary and Parker seconded it. The motion carried with Parker and Dundon voting for, Gleason and McNary abstaining, and Clason absent.

Gleason and McNary returned to the dais.

McNary said the Seattle Post Intelligencer took a picture of Eric crawling under the granary when they were in The Dalles doing an article. McNary said he would bring Hert a copy.

<u>RESOLUTION</u> – Parker moved to adopt Resolution 79-04 approving HLC 83-04 and Dundon seconded. The motion carried with Parker and Dundon voting for, Gleason and McNary abstaining, and Clason absent.

COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

Hert said she would be working on the language for the historic plaques and getting that information back to the Commission for the next meeting. Hert said the City would be applying for 15 plaques next year.

Hert told the Commission she had discussed the walking tour with Public Works Director, Brian Stahl. The Commissioners and Staff discussed options of how the walking tour identifications could be painted on the sidewalks.

The Commission and Staff discussed the Flour Mill property. McNary said he has been trying for 35 years to get inside the mill building. Hert said if the Commission tours the building as a group it must be advertised as a public meeting and that she would talk to Director Durow and get a tour set up. Hert also informed the Commission that the northern most warehouse, the older building, has been declared a dangerous building and will be demolished. The contractor will make every effort to save as much of the structure as possible.

Dundon said he had heard that the Lewis and Clark Monument is going to be moved and Gleason told him that Northern Wasco County Parks and Rec. own the monument, which is not a landmark. It needs to be moved for future expansion of the site. The Commission briefly discussed where and how it might be relocated.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2004.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary.

Eric Gleason, Chair

Historic Landmark Commission