

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE HAILEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
HELD TUESDAY, September 4, 2007
IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM WITHIN CITY HALL**

Commission Members present: Laura Hall, Rob Lonning, Joan Davies, Julie Evans, Eddy Svidgal, Kelly Jackson

Liason present: Rick Davis

Opened meeting at 6:40 pm

Rob suggested a letter of recognition to Wood River Journal for their recent Anthology special edition. Rob to post this to the newspaper.

Rick Davis had nothing new to report in the area of development, though was pleased to report that the HHPC is expected to have a budget from the City of Hailey of \$6000.00 for the upcoming fiscal year. Rick stated that folks are more and more aware of the HHPC and it's work. That although he has heard a few moans and groans about the demo ordinance, he feels that is slowing down the destruction of historic buildings. Encouraged the group to contact Ned directly with questions.

Discussion regarding Desert Pine, LLC's request for acceleration of the 120 day wait for demo of 102 Empty Saddle Trail property. Eddy Svidgal when asked for an opinion of historic value stated that if the property's location was residential in neighborhood, it could be considered for restoration, however the commercial area made this questionable.

Discussion ensued re: requesting that the building department notify HHPC of any and all demos to take place as opposed to just those considered to be built before 1941.

Rob expressed that in terms of encouraging the adaptive reuse of historic buildings, that this property would be worthy of generating public support for.

Julie made as motion that we allow the time to lapse along with a letter of receipt /decline to accelerate. Eddy commented that the demo crew sitting around the corner did not constitute a "hardship" for the Property Owner. Motion passed. Julie to draft a sample letter of decline to be circulated among members via e-mail. Letter to be dispatched a.s.a.p. Waiting period of 120 days to expire on or about 9/17/07.

Discussion took place re: changing of the ordinance language. Subcommittee to meet to discuss the ordinance and any proposed changes to the language, the use of the existing demo permit application, and when the 120 day review period actually begins.

There was discussion re: the Project Description developed by Heather Dawson for the grant. Discussion re: receipt of letter from Masonic Lodge/ Ted Angle requesting a donation of \$500 toward their goal of National registration.

Joan suggested HHPC provide a statement of support to the Idaho Heritage Foundation re: the projects and groups which we are working with.

Anna motioned that HHPC send a letter to Masonic Lodge of acknowledging our receipt and support of the request conditioned upon our success with the grant application, monies from which may not be available for Masonic Lodge's use until July or even August 2008. Letter to include that we would like to donate the \$500.00 and appreciate their consideration and future cooperation with our goal to use our public/private partnership to encourage property owners in the townsite and create model(s) for other eligible parties interested in attaining National Register status. As stated in the project description, our grant money if attained is to be utilized to create nomination materials for properties determined to be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Rob motioned that we check our bank account to see if we currently have \$500 from the Women's Charitable Foundation, and if so that we gift this to the Masonic Lodge now. This was passed.

Discussion regarding Rob's inquiry with SHPPO re: their opinion of those properties eligible and any they would recommend as priority. 15 definitely eligible. Questionable: 320 South 3rd (Davis Barn) and Pat Rawlinson's. Ann Swanson mentioned Rodeo Grounds, Grange Hall (which may or may not be on the list of eligible), and the Harris Apartments. Rob's sense of what came up from SHPPO in the discussion was focus on those which may be in greatest jeopardy.

Rob shared info re: the Meeting Laws: Mainly that a quorum must be present for deliberation and voting /decisions to be made in protocol. All meetings shall be open to the public. No decisions by private vote. Subcommittees can make recommendations but not decisions. Questions came up. Can we vote via e-mail provided we have a quorum AND the results are announced at the next regular monthly meeting? Anna's take is that we can as long as the deliberation was not done via e-mail.

We discussed goals for the year, and how we may achieve those goals through the use of subcommittees chaired by members, recruit volunteers from the community. Commission members heading subs would move their agendas ahead as they saw fit. We can update one another at each monthly meeting.

One advantage to this is that it would allow us to meet more than once per month. Rob circulated a list of possible goals for members to consider. Further discussion to follow at next meeting.

Plan to discuss the protocol/program for addressing the applicant's for grant money at next monthly meeting..