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REDMOND HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
Minutes

Tuesday, March 11, 2014

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

Commissioners Present: Chair Trish Pinkerton, Al Jamison (absent: *Jane Schroeder*, 2 vacancies)

City Staff: Heather Richards, *Community Development Director*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

Visitors: Walt Taylor

*(scribe CP's note: The minutes were created from an audio record and notes taken at the meeting.
The three digits after the motion title show the number of Commissioners voting in favor/against/abstaining.)*

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pinkerton opened the meeting at 9:10 a.m. with two of three Commissioners present, establishing a quorum.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. May Historic Preservation Month Planning

Commissioners discussed potential themes, tour route (buildings and sites to highlight), storyboard content, display sites, how to make an emotional connection with different age groups, potential volunteers, and location of resource materials.

Commissioners agreed by consensus to combine the Historic Preservation Month celebration with the 3rd Friday Art Stroll on May 16, 2014, and that storyboards prepared on a "Then and Now" theme should be displayed in key locations around town. Commissioners recommended that the storyboards feature the following sites and buildings: Centennial Park, old and new City Halls, Lynch & Roberts Store, Patrick Building, old public library (now Redmond Chamber of Commerce), old Jessie Hill School (now Redmond Public Library), Odem and Mayfair Theatres, Piggly-Wiggly store, Central Oregon Co-Op Creamery, and the Old Redmond Hotel.

Ms. Richards said next steps will include researching and compiling appropriate materials, seeking assistance from community volunteers, and identifying a contractor to coordinate the project. At their next meeting, Commissioners will review draft storyboard content so the project can move into the production phase. She asked about the possibility of partnering with the Redmond Historical Society on material collection.

B. Certified Local Government Grant Application

Ms. Richards said the City should know in April 2014 if it will be receiving any CLG funds, and noted these can be used for Commissioner training.

Commissioner Jamison requested a copy of the grant application, which Ms. Richards said she would e-mail.

Commissioner Jamison indicated interest in attending the Oregon Heritage Conference (April 23-25, 2014) in Albany, Oregon. Ms. Richards recommended he contact Jackie Abslag, Administrative Assistant for the Community Development Department, for help in registration.

0C. Approval of Minutes

Motion 1 (2/0/0): Commissioner Alton moved to approve the February 24, 2014, minutes. Commissioner Pinkerton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

LIAISON COMMENTS (None)

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Taylor summarized his background including the Redmond Historical Society (2001) and Redmond Planning Commission (2001-2007). He offered to share photographs he has taken of historic buildings and other sites in the Redmond community, some of which no longer exist. He suggested compiling a master roster of people who were instrumental in the growth of Redmond.

Ms. Prow suggested contacting Central Oregon Writers Guild, The Nature of Words, and Farewell Bend Writers Roundtable to see if any of their members might be interested in writing about Redmond's history. The Retired Seniors and Volunteer Program on the Bend campus of St. Charles Medical Center previously published a book on local history.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Richards announced that William King, a student from Redmond Proficiency Academy, has expressed interest in joining Redmond Historic Landmarks Commission as an ex officio member. She discussed the importance of filling the two vacant positions on the commission, developing a commission work plan for fiscal year 2014-2015, new staffing concerns, recent changes in the City commission structure (information sharing, community coordination), and the status of an electronic archive project that will (eventually) be accessible on the City's website. The Chamber of Commerce is working on a similar project to provide interactive maps for public art. She requested Commissioner assistance in identifying and connecting to nonpreserved buildings/sites outside the Landmarks Commission and Planning Commission processes, locating the town plaque, and retrieving records about Redmond's past from the Deschutes County Historical Landmarks Commission and other community groups.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Jamison recommended linking the Landmarks Commission with other groups promoting and preserving Redmond's history.

ADJOURN

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 11, 2014, 9 a.m.

With no further business, Chair Pinkerton adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Historic Landmarks Commission and SIGNED by me this 9th day of May, 2014.

ATTEST:

 /s/ Trish Pinkerton
Trish Pinkerton
Chair

 /s/ Heather Richards
Heather Richards
Community Development Director