

Providence Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

November 29, 2005

6:00 p.m.

Those Present: Commissioners: Jay Hicken, Adrian Gale, Hoyt Kelley, Karl Seethaler, Marie Olsen, Kaye Lyn Harris

Others: Skarlet Bankhead, Jon Mock

Minutes taken by Brenda Nelson

MOTION by J. Hicken to approve the minutes of August 30, 2005. SECOND by H. Kelley. All in favor

MOTION by J. Hicken to approve the minutes of September 6, 2005. SECOND by A. Gale. All in favor.

Item 1. Oral History Project Update.

Rachel Gianni has completed the oral history interviews on Jake Fuhriman, Glen Dattage, Fern Sibbett, Keith Watkins and Hoyt Kelley. She transcribed four of the interviews. The interview with Fern Sibbett will be included as field notes but not transcribed in detail. Copies of the interviews were available to review. The remaining two individuals are Opal Chugg, and Ray Mathews. Rachel has had difficulty scheduling these interviews because Ray Mathews has been ill and Opal has not been available. Commissioners discussed replacing these people, and the following names were suggested: Ken Braegger, Adola Barkle, Amy Kresie, Ivan Christensen, and Milt Campbell. H. Kelley suggested Pat Hugie, whose family lived in Edgewood Hall, and Maurine Pickett Jones, who is Ross Pickett's daughter. These could be incorporated into the next phase of the project that will use the grant money received from the Division of State History and the Utah Humanities Council. B. Nelson will contact Ken Braegger, Adola Barkle, Ivan Christensen and Milt Campbell and see if they are willing to do an interview. R. Gianni wants to know if she can continue with the next phase of interviews or if she needs to reapply. H. Kelley reported that when she did his interview she was very professional and pleasant. K. Harris said if she is doing a good job, let her continue.

Item 2. Discussion on grant received from the Division of State History and the Utah Humanities Council.

In the letter awarding the grant, it said that members from these organizations would like to present the award in person. They want us to give them some possible dates, and would like to invite the State legislators and congressmen from our area. This would include Scott Wyatt, Lyle Hillyard, Rob Bishop, Craig Buttars and Fred Hunsaker. S. Bankhead said this type of presentation usually takes place at City Council meeting. A new session of the legislature begins in January, so it may be good to do this before then. The only City Council meeting in December will be held on Dec. 13. B. Nelson will contact both agencies to see if Dec. 13 will work.

Item 3. Discussion on Commission members' terms and a liaison person.

The ordinance states that each Commissioner will serve a minimum of 2 years. When asked if they are willing to continue their service, everyone said yes. There is still one vacancy on the Commission. The procedure to appoint another member is to suggest names to the City Council and have them approved. Members suggested include Dale Astle, Louise Everton, and Myral Bitters. There was a question as to how many members can be on the Commission. The ordinance states we must have at least 5, but everyone felt 7 was a good idea.

A liaison person would attend City Council meetings, as needed, to keep the Council informed on activities of the Commission. Commission chairman, Karl Seethaler, was the unanimous choice to be the liaison. S. Bankhead read from the ordinance that members are to follow all the guidelines of Utah State Code 11. 18. 2. B. Nelson will get a copy of this code for the Commission.

Item 4. Grant proposal for 2006

The deadline for applying for a grant from the Utah State Historical Society is in February. The Commission's next scheduled meeting is the end of January. There are several possibilities for a grant application, such as: an in-depth survey of some of the homes that were identified on the reconnaissance survey as possibilities for the national historic register, creating a historic district, making a pamphlet of the homes identified to be of historical or architectural significance, plaques for historical landmarks.

In the reconnaissance survey, K. Broschinsky identified an area for the historic district, and gave recommendations for future projects. Wilson Martin, of SHPO, said we didn't need to have a standard survey done because in the reconnaissance survey K.

Broschinsky did almost every home in the proposed district anyway. We need to hire a consultant to prepare a nomination for the historic district. It was suggested that we ask Wilson Martin to come and speak about the creation of a historic district and answer any questions the Commission or citizens may have.

Commission discussed making plaques for historic landmarks. We would like a plaque for the quarry. S. Bankhead said that the Forest Service and the City are partnering together to put monuments or plaques in Providence Canyon. Maybe this could be done under the umbrella of historic preservation.

The grant is due in February, so we want to have Wilson Martin come in January. An article in the January newsletter will let the public know about Mr. Martin's presentation and the area defined as the historic district. J. Hicken suggested we ask K. Broschinsky what the next step should be, and if she would be interested in helping with a historic district nomination. Commission felt it would be good to use K. Broschinsky because she is familiar with the project. In order to apply for the grant, we need to know the consultant fee. We need to put out a Request for Proposal before we apply for a grant.

Item 5. Discussion about creating a historic district.

This has been discussed with previous items.

Item 6. Planning a new edition of *Providence and Her People*.

When the last edition of the book was written, Clyde Braegger was the chairman. He had a committee, and gave each of them an area to cover. How will this Commission be involved with the making of the new edition? M. Olsen said we need to have a timeline for getting a committee, organizing the research, and publishing the book. It was agreed that the committee should be called and organized by June of 2006, the research done by the end of 2007 and the book written and published by the end of 2008. This will be in time for the sesquicentennial in April of 2009. H. Kelley said making a book now can be done digitally which makes it less expensive and a very good quality. You can print a certain number of copies and then print more as needed without having to do a large quantity at a high cost.

Are we overstepping our bounds? Should the City Council be the ones doing this? The Council will be the ones who set aside funding for this project. We also need to ask about funding to match the grant we are applying for in February. K. Seethaler will ask to be on the agenda for the first City Council meeting in January so we can get the application in by February.

The Commission agreed that the grant application should be for the historic district nomination. B. Nelson will request the guidelines from the State office. If we get a pamphlet made, it could be part of the new edition of the history book. At least we want a map of the historic district in the book.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Jan. 31. B. Nelson will contact Wilson Martin to see if he could come either the 12th or 19th of January.

MOTION to adjourn by A. Gale. SECOND by K. Harris

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:20