

Minutes of Meeting
Kootenai County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
March 15, 2023

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Courtney Beebe at 3:30 pm.

1. Opening Protocols:

Commissioner Brown gave opening protocols.

2. Roll Call:

Present were Commissioners Courtney Beebe, Russ Brown, Cody Christian. Jon Mueller and Laurie Mauser attended via Zoom. Commissioners Burns and Walters were excused.

B. Approval of Minutes (Action Items)

Chairperson Beebe presented the minutes from the February 15, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Mueller moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Chairperson Beebe called for a vote to approve. All voted approved.

C. Business (Action Items)

Agenda Item #1 Budget Information for 2024.

Chairperson Beebe followed through with questions from the last KCHPC meeting concerning our ability to carryover unspent budgeted funding due to the delays on starting grant-funded projects this fiscal year. She received answers from county personnel: the BOCC can approve but we might as well submit a new request draft budget for next year. She suggested we bring budget suggestions to the next KCHPC meeting.

Agenda Item # 2 Post Falls 100 -year Anniversary of Chapin Bui Iding.

Chairperson Beebe reported that there will be a marketing event with wine tasting and tours the day before Post Falls Days. At a meeting tonight, Chairperson Beebe will ask what we can do to help and participate. At our next meeting she will ask for approval for spending this year's budget for printing and invitations for anniversary events. She will issue a letter of support to Post Falls Historical Society for the event.

Agenda Item # 3 Commissioner Update Reports

Feely Farm Research (Mauser): Chairperson Beebe reported that Don Jacklin has not returned to Post Falls. As soon as he returns she will set up the oral history along with Corrine Feely.

Grant Status and RFP for Historic Preservation Plan (Beebe): Commissioner Beebe reported that Jody Beebe has been in contact with ISHPO on why there is no agreement, no signature. We are still waiting to hear on grant fund release for the historic preservation plan and whether we have received the grant for our brochure.

Robert Singletary Recognition: Chairperson Beebe reported that there are still ongoing conversations with the Downtown Association and the North Idaho Museum and Connie Singletary about honoring Robert at the Ft. Sherman Chapel grounds. There are no new developments.

Lochaven Farms (Mauser): Commissioner Mauser stated she will probably not do any more work until April when contact with the owners will be initiated. Chairperson Beebe reported that Deb Mitchell has submitted her research material on a thumb drive for our use.

CLG Grant Application (Beebe): There has been no announcement on whether we received the \$1500 grant to prepare and publish an informational brochure/handbook on Kootenai County historic preservation organizations. Jody Bieze will follow-up.

KCHPC Budget Purchases (Beebe): The approved purchases were placed into inventory and IT set them up for use. We will learn procedures on using them at the next KCHPC meeting.

Agenda Item #4. Sharing Kootenai County History

Chair Beebe invited anyone to share Kootenai County history topics. She noted that museums will start opening in April and May and suggested with a list of them that we go out and make connections. She said she would visit the Spirit Lake and Worley museums. Commissioners Brown, Mueller, and Christian expressed interest in going also.

Commissioner Mueller reported he is working on historical sign creation for the KC courthouse anniversary and as a pilot project for identified historic sites in the county and noted that interpretive signage is within our purview to recommend.

Agenda Item #5. Proposals for New Projects or Activities.

No new projects were proposed.

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Adjourn

There being no further discussion of agenda items or public comment, Commissioner Mueller moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. The motion was carried. Chairperson Beebe adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

Laurie Mauser, Recording Secretary