



Douglas Historic Preservation Commission

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Board Members: Maureen Morgan, Chairperson; Betsy Flaherty, Secretary; Adam Hughes; Bill Sinnard; Lisa Thalken; Carolyn Morin; Kenny Simonton; and Jacey Bauman
City of Douglas Liaison: Sherri Mullinnix

March 15, 2017

Members Present: Maureen Morgan, Lisa Thalken, Carolyn Morin, Kenny Simonton, Jacey Bauman, and Adam Hughes

Members Absent: Betsy Flaherty and Bill Sinnard

Staff Present: Sherri Mullinnix

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 5:25 P.M, and introduced the minutes of the February 15, 2016. Morin made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by Bauman. The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1) Camp Douglas

Thalken and Bauman provided information on the third WWII Camp Douglas movie night, *A League of Their Own*, held on March 11th. The net receipts for the showing were \$329.00, and the total profit from the three movies was \$615.38. Members discussed the positives and negatives of the Camp Douglas Movie Nights in considering whether to continue the activity. It was decided to discuss the issue in more detail at a later date.

2) Park Cemetery Kiosk

Simonton informed the board of further contacts he was making to seek donations. A letter has been mailed to a number of area residents soliciting contributions to the fund, stimulating more participation. The total fund currently stands at \$19,235.79, with \$40,000 being the goal. The Commission discussed their desire to have tables informing the public of the project and requesting donations at Jackalope Days and 1st Thursdays.

New Business:

1) Projects for the Coming 2017/2018 Year

Members discussed the following:

-Heritage apple orchard: Members discussed their desire to preserve apple trees from the remnants of area orchards. It was decided that establishing an orchard was beyond the scope of the Commission, but that it would cooperate with University of Wyoming faculty to obtain samples or cutting from area trees.

-Silent Movie Festival: Members reviewed a similar event held previously. Discussion mentioned the possibility of using the event as a fundraiser, perhaps for the cemetery kiosk. It was decided to discuss the possibility of holding the event at a later time.

- Third Grade Douglas History workbooks: Members felt strongly that the workbooks needed to be an ongoing project as an important educational tool that students and teachers have found informative and enjoyable.

- Park Cemetery Kiosk: With half the funding necessary already secured and the ongoing fundraising efforts, the Commission discussed the possibility of requesting additional funding from the City.

In determining the Commission's budget request from the City Council for the 2018 fiscal year, Simonton made motion, seconded by Thalken, to request a 40% match, estimated to be approximately \$1,400, for the cost of reprinting 750 third grade workbooks. Staff was requested to obtain an estimate prior to submitting the request. Thalken made a motion, seconded by Bauman, to also request an additional \$2,000 to be applied to the Park Cemetery Kiosk Fund. Both motions passed unanimously.

2) Pioneer Cemetery Tour

Discussion of possible activities to hold at the Pioneer Cemetery were held over to the April meeting

3) Council

Members expressed the desire to appear before City Council to update them on their activities, particularly relating to the Park Cemetery Kiosk. Mullinnix agreed to request they be added to the April 10th agenda.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M. The next meeting is April 19, 2017 at 5:15 P.M. in the City Hall conference room.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherri Mullinnix
City Staff Liaison