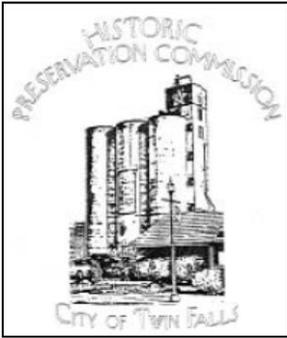


MINUTES
PUBLIC MEETING
 Twin Falls Historic Preservation Commission
 August 25, 2014, 1:00 PM
 City Council Chambers
 305 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, ID 83301



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

Ryan Horsley Samantha Kemp Debbie Lattin Ruth Pierce Wendy Rice Nancy Taylor Randall Watson
Vice-Chairperson Chairperson

COUNCIL LIAISON: Jim Munn, Jr.
CITY STAFF: Strickland, Weeks
AFFILIATE VOLUNTEER ADVISOR: Darrell Buffaloe

MEMBER ATTENDANCE: Kemp, Lattin, Pierce, Rice, Taylor, Watson
LIAISON/STAFF ATTENDANCE: Strickland, Weeks

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairperson Watson called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the following meeting(s): **January 26, 2015**

Motion:
 Commissioner Taylor made a motion to amend the agenda to add election of officers.
 Commissioner Rice seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

- 2. Election of Offices:

Motion:
 Commissioner Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented. Commissioner Kemp seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

Motion:
 Commissioner Lattin made a nomination that Commissioner Taylor be the Chairperson.
 Commissioner Kemp seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

Motion:
 Commissioner Taylor made a nomination that Commissioner Lattin be the Vice-Chairperson.
 Commissioner Kemp seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

III. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

1. White Cloud, 123 5th Ave S-Joe Shelton

Chairperson Taylor stated this request is for a Certificate of Appropriateness for two equipment shelter buildings and propane tanks on property located at 123 5th Avenue.

Applicant Presentation:

Joe Shelton, the applicant stated that two concrete communications shelters have been placed next to the silos and the building that is in the parking lot of the Depot Grill is temporary and will be moving. The wooden fence that was installed is identical fence that is located at the Brick House to the north. They felt the best material to use for fencing was something that matched the surrounding properties. There are two gas powered generators that will assist in maintaining the SERCOM towers should the site lose power. They found out that the tanks have to be further away from the fence that was installed because of combustibility. There are two different ways to approach the gas tanks, either change to natural gas so that the tanks can be removed, they are in communications with intermountain gas to see if that is possible. The second option is to enclose them with chain link because of the combustibility of wood fencing.

Questions/Comments:

- Commissioner Pierce asked if the fencing could be made of the compost fencing in a wood color.
- Mr. Shelton explain the combustibility is the issue. He stated a third option could be that they increase the size of the fenced area because there has to be a 10' area between the tanks and the fencing. They installed the wood fence because they thought it looked the best. The people the installation was inspected and approved, however the fire department did not approve the location of the tanks. They tried to match the buildings to some of the buildings in the area.
- Commissioner Lattin asked for clarification as to why the structures were installed prior to receiving the approval from the Historic Preservation Commission.
- Mr. Shelton stated they thought they had approval.
- Commissioner Lattin explained she recalls the request for the tower to be installed on the top of the grain elevators however this was not presented in the request.
- Mr. Shelton explained the new buildings were built to replace the old building.
- Chairperson Taylor explained that this is a City appointed Commission that has regulatory control for the Warehouse District and the Commission feels it was misled on the tower and this was never presented to the Commission nor was the information submitted to the City prior to installation. She stated this is not a life or death situation but rules need to be followed, and she asked if this Commission is sanctioned by the City how this happens.
- Mr. Shelton explained that they tried to follow the rules and if he were sitting on this Commission he would most likely feel the same way. He was tried to make an improvement to what was at this location before and he assumed that they had all the correct permits in place. It is ultimately his responsibility to ensure that things are done correctly.
- Commissioner Watson stated that the tan pigment doesn't fit into the historic overlay district, it is too modern for the area.

- Mr. Shelton stated they could paint them a different color.
- Commissioner Watson stated that this color sticks out.
- Chairperson Taylor clarified it should have come before this Commission prior to construction so that colors could be discussed and she agrees that a color matching the silos would be less obtrusive.
- Commissioner Pierce stated that maybe there was some miscommunication along the way that created this situation.
- Mr. Shelton explained he thought they had the appropriate permits to do this and that they were doing the right thing.
- Commissioner Lattin explained the tower that was approved originally was not what was approved and what is there now is a monstrosity.
- Chairperson Taylor stated she think the applicant knew what needed to be done and we are business friendly but this was a debacle and things need to be fixed. She recommended that the applicant work with staff.
- Mr. Shelton stated the removal of the tower from the Court House was a positive for this project and it was a big win to get it done. He also stated the tower does not benefit White Cloud.
- Commissioner Watson recommended the colors and the fence and building need to match better.
- Mr. Shelton explained the tanks are not far enough from the fence.
- Planner I Weeks explained that if the Commission wants colors to be discussed, they would have to request that he return as part of the conditions of approval.
- Mr. Shelton explained that the shelters were painted that color to help them blend.

Motion:

Commissioner Pierce stated that options need to be suggested for fencing and building colors and brought back to the Commission. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

Discussion Followed:

- Mr. Shelton asked about chain link.
- Commissioner Taylor stated chain link is not a material she would like to see used.
- Commissioner Kemp asked if brick could be used, which would match the Brick House building.
- Mr. Shelton explained a brick fence would be cost prohibitive. So the only option is to try and go to natural gas or make the area larger so that they are 10' from the fence.
- Planner Weeks asked if this information is going to come back to the Commission or if it will just be staff that takes care of the issues.
- Mr. Shelton apologized for the situation.

IV. OLD BUSINESS UPDATE:

1. Idaho Certified Local Government Grant 2015 (Design Guidelines)
2. Idaho Heritage Trust Grant Program 20145 (Education/Design Guidelines)
 - Planner I Weeks stated that she has tried several times to get this meeting scheduled, without success. There is a new person which is part of the reason for the delay.
 - Chairperson Taylor explained she can help if necessary.

3. Coordinating Efforts with County Historic Preservation Commission
 - Chairperson Taylor explained she has met with John Capolaris and will start to partner with them on projects. She has also met with the Historical Museum to try and coordinate a partnership with them as well. She would really like to meet with the Preservation Twin Fall group also.
4. Idaho Archeology and Historic Preservation Month 2015-Nancy Taylor
 - Chairperson Taylor reviewed some ideas for having a festival in the Warehouse District to celebrate the Historic Preservation Month. The Commission picked May 23, 2015 for the date at the last meeting. She would like this to be a family friendly event and see if there are any other ideas or sponsors for the event.
5. State of Idaho 125th Anniversary of Statehood
 - Chairperson Taylor explained that the county has developed a proclamation for Idaho Statehood 125th Anniversary and she would like the Commission to consider recommending that the City Council also issue a proclamation for statehood.

Motion:

Commissioner Pierce made a motion to recommend that a proclamation be given by the City Council recognizing the Idaho Statehood 125th Anniversary. Commissioner Kemp seconded.

Unanimously Approved

6. PA System-Kelly
 - Chairperson Taylor asked if the PA System has been ordered for the Commission.
 - Planner I Weeks asked if one or two PA Systems should be ordered. There are enough funds available for two.
 - Commissioner Rice suggested ordering one system and see how well it works and how much it is used and then if there is a need for a second system it get ordered at that time.
 - Chairperson Taylor stated that there will be a need to complete a Special Events application that cost \$25.
 - Planner I Weeks stated she would find out if it is possible to request the \$25 fee be waived.
 - Commissioner Pierce also stated she has concerns about clean-up and security.
 - Chairperson Taylor explained that it is required now to have a child safety booth for lost children also.
 - Commissioner Watson asked if the Commission would consider combining the Statehood Celebration and the Historic Preservation Month together as one event.
 - Commissioner Taylor explained that these are just ideas and she is open to whatever the Commission recommends.
 - Commissioner Rice explained that we have Historic Preservation Month annually but there is only one 125th Statehood Anniversary. She would like to see it combined into one event.
 - Commissioner Lattin stated it could be difficult getting people to devote time on a holiday weekend.
 - Commissioner Rice explained it might be easier to piggyback on other events happening that weekend so that there is good attendance and participation.

- Chairperson Taylor stated that weekend is fine in July, she will contact the Parks and Recreation Department to see what is planned for that weekend.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- Tom Gilbertson, Twin Falls County Historic Preservation stated he is impressed with the Commission's seriousness about preserving the history of Twin Falls. He is also a member of Preservation Twin Falls and he understands the frustration of the Commission with today's request. Having a functioning antenna on this building and off of the Court was a tremendous success. The County Historic Preservation has had some recent issues with the state as well because of staff changes, they had meetings planned for last fall but they fell through. The county has a project they are working on for Rogerson, so a trip will most likely be coordinated to visit with the County and City when the State makes it this way. Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission meets at the new Twin Falls Canal Building the second Monday of the month at 4:30pm. Preservation Twin Falls meets at Paul Smith's Office the second Tuesday of the month.
- Commissioner Pierce asked if these meeting dates could also be included on the agenda as upcoming meetings.
- Planner I Weeks stated yes that is possible and she will check with the City Attorney if more than one of the Commissioners wants to attend any of these meetings if it is a violation of the City's Transparency Ordinance

VI. INPUT AND/OR ITEMS FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

VII. UPCOMING MEETINGS/SCHEDULE: Monday, March 16, 2015 at 12:00 PM

VIII. ADJOURN MEETING:

Chairperson Taylor adjourned the meeting at 1:10pm.

Lisa A Strickland
Administrative Assistant
Planning & Zoning Commission