

LACEY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

October 16, 2019 6:00 p.m.
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers

PRESENT

Commission: David Black, Erich Ebel, Seth Huff, Seiji Naotsuka, and Alan Tyler.
Excused: Jeff Crane, Kimberly Goetz, and Sarah Thirtyacre
Staff: Jennifer Burbidge, Parks and Recreation Director; Carolyn Elliott, Office Assistant;
and Erin Quinn Valcho, Museum Curator.
Public: Lanny Weaver, Lacey Historical Society

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair, Erich Ebel.

AGENDA

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the agenda as written.

MINUTES

The August 21, 2019 minutes were approved as written and placed on record.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Happy 40th Anniversary! Ms. Quinn Valcho let everyone know this is the 40th anniversary of the Lacey Historical Commission.
- b. CLG Training, Tues. November 19, 10-1pm, Steilacoom. Ms. Quinn Valcho encouraged Commissioners to attend. Mr. Ebel and Mr. Black will attend.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Burbidge shared an email from Frank Kirkbride regarding the Lacey Fire District's interest in having a role in the new Lacey museum.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

No changes in the calendar

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Depot Trail Amenity. **Ms. Burbidge reported:**
 - Will be finished by the end of this year unless weather prevents it
 - Construction company owner was injured on another job site. There was concern the project might get behind schedule, but he is back and work has resumed.
 - Soil testing for the playground came back favorable; that project can proceed.
 - A groundbreaking ceremony is planned for November 14 at 12:45 p.m. and the Historical Commission is invited to attend. Lacey Rotary is donating \$50,000 for their legacy project plus the labor to help install the playground (\$11,000 value). They have requested a marker at the site (to match the Depot markers) to outline Lacey Rotary's history overlaid in some way with Lacey's history.

- Playground timeline. 2019: as much site work as possible. Spring 2020: playground installation. There was discussion re: combining the grand opening of the playground with the depot trail amenity.
- Mr. Tyler would like to be involved when decisions are being made regarding the mat for the playground.

b. New Museum Project

- Contracts have been finalized with Washington State Historical Society and KMB Architects, and their first deliverable work is underway. Kudos to Erin for working with finance and getting all the invoices organized.
- Staff have weekly meetings with KMB; will report progress to Commission.
- First deliverable is to conduct an analysis on the reuse of the building vs. a new building. A criteria for decision-making was established:
 - Safety
 - Historical factors
 - Cost
 - Environmentally-sensitive areas
 - Environmental & sustainability factors
 - High Ceilings (Will help a small museum feel big and give room for growth in the collections)
 - Climate control adequate for museum purposes
 - Take the most practical and affordable approach; it seems that at least the skeleton should be able to be reused (concrete pad & trusses)
- Project Timeline:
 - A. First 30 Days – Task 1
 - KMB reviewed concept plans, pre-submission conference notes, conditions assessments and structural evaluations provided by the City
 - Met and reviewed with all consultants (civil, landscape, structural, MEP, LEED, exhibits, and cost estimating). Sub-contractors provide deliverables every Wednesday, KMB meets with City staff every Friday
 - Pre-submission meeting with Building Official, City Engineers and Parks & Recreation staff
 - Defined deliverable: will provide recommendations and budget level cost estimates for a new structure and renovation of the existing structure for comparison. All estimates will include work for the entire site
 - B. Reviewed Site Plan
 - Bus drop off location
 - Parking
 - Pedestrian Flow
 - Outdoor spaces
 - C. 5700 Building
 - Preparing the building to be solar ready:
 - Unobstructed south facing roof free of rooftop equipment and vents.
 - Extra spaces in the breaker box for a solar dedicated breaker (or go above and beyond and install a dedicated breaker).

- Extra space in the electrical room to wall mount inverters. 2.5" electrical grade conduit leading from the roof to the electrical room.
- Olympia Community Solar model

NEW BUSINESS

- a. New ad hoc committee for archaeology.

Motion approved to form a new ad hoc committee for archaeology.

The ad hoc committee members will be Ms. Thirtyacre, Mr. Ebel, Ms. Goetz and Mr. Black. Mr. Ebel will chair the committee.

- b. Use of Depot/programming. Ms. Burbidge shared some ideas to create revenue.
- Educational programs
 - Birthday celebration packages either train or museum themed
 - Group rentals (Similar to shelters at the RAC, Rainier Vista and Woodland Creek Community Park)
- Mr. Ebel and Mr. Black brought up the idea of a fun/run or walk the Depot District.
- c. Commissioner nominations. Ms. Quinn Valcho reminded everyone that it is time for elections next month.

Ad Hoc COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Policy/StEPs. No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Lacey Historical Society. Ms. Weaver reported:
- Annual meeting on September 26th; ~40 people in attendance.
 - A big thank you to Kristina Trebil for managing the school binders.
 - The staff at the Community Center did a great job.
 - Ms. Quinn Valcho and Ms. Weaver attended the Panorama panel dedication. It was well attended and the panel turned out beautifully.
- b. Others. None present.

REPORTS

- a. Museum/Curator. Ms. Quinn Valcho shared highlights from her reports from August and September. She also reported that the Bowker House has been sold.
- b. Commissioners. No reports.
- c. Chair. Mr. Ebel asked for an update on the Homann House. He announced that he is now working at the Washington State Historical Society as Director of External Affairs and Sales. This Saturday in Kelso they will be having a Six Rivers film festival, with videos Mr. Ebel made. The event is sponsored by the Cowlitz County Historic Preservation Commission.
- d. Parks & Recreation Director. Ms. Burbidge reported:
- She attended the National Recreation conference in Baltimore where she focused on classes on community engagement. The City of Lacey will have a community engagement project in 2020.
 - Children's Day had a record turnout of over 6,000 people

- Will find out tomorrow which budget requests will move on to Council.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 20, 6:00 p.m. at Lacey City Hall