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**MINUTES OF THE SPRINGDALE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023, AT 11:30 AM**

**THE MEETING CONVENED AT THE CANYON COMMUNITY CENTER
126 LION BOULEVARD, SPRINGDALE, UT 84767**

The meeting convened at 11:30 am.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Jean Krause, Commissioners Rich Levin, and Judi Rook

EXCUSED: Commissioners Robert (Bob) Carlton, and Claudia Mitchell

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Community Development Thomas Dansie, Principal Planner Niall Connolly, Town Clerk Darci Carlson, and Deputy Clerk Aren Emerson recording. Please see attached list of attendees.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Rich Levin to approve the agenda. Seconded by Judi Rook.

Rook: Aye

Krause: Aye

Levin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

General Announcements: Ms. Carlson announced that Commissioners Carlton and Mitchell were excused from the meeting. Ms. Emerson distributed conflict of interest disclosures for the Commissioners to fill out as required by state code.

A. Action Items

1. Nomination and recommendation of Historic Preservation Commission 2023 Chair and Vice-Chair

The Commission discussed that they would like to keep Ms. Krause as Chair and nominated Mr. Carlton as Vice Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Motion made by Rich Levin to nominate Jean Krause as Chair and Robert Carlton as Vice-Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission for 2023. Seconded by Judi Rook.

Rook: Aye

Krause: Aye

Levin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Review of quotes for the irrigation ditch interpretive site and possible recommendation to the Council to approve funding

The HPC previously discussed utilizing the area as an interpretive site, and the Commission would allow the use of the irrigation ditch stone to build a monument sign and steps. Robert George spearheaded the project and worked with several vendors to get quotes on the cost to turn the site into a more useful historic asset with interpretation for both the community and visitors. If the Commission decided to move forward with the construction, the Town Council would consider the costs in the next fiscal budget year.

Robert George added that sites like the one proposed would benefit residents and tourists.

Ms. Krause requested a breakdown of where the requested \$7,000 would be used.

- Mr. George stated that the quote was based on a similar monument model currently constructed in the Town. That model cost \$3,500, and a quote for the steps was estimated to cost an additional \$3,500.

Ms. Carlson added that they would be using salvaged stone as approved but may have to outsource some additional sandstone for better structural support of the foundation.

Mr. George confirmed that the base must be reconstructed from outsourced materials.

Ms. Krause asked for confirmation on the total cost being around \$11,000-\$12,000.

- That was correct. The plan was to engage a consultant to help gather information about the irrigation ditch to formulate signage for the monument.

Ms. Rook asked if the proposal would look consistent with the three other monuments in the Town.

- They would look consistent, but would have a late 1800s to early 1900s style look.

Ms. Rook questioned if the price would be consistent for potential future monuments.

- Future monuments would likely be less expensive since the locations would not require stairs.

The Commission appreciated the emphasis on the historic parts of the Town and agreed to recommend approval to the Town Council.

Jean Krause recommended approval to the Town Council for the budget allowance of \$11.00-\$12.000 in the next fiscal 2023-2024 budget for the work to be done on the interpretive project. Seconded by Judi Rook.

Rook: Aye

Krause: Aye

Levin: Aye

B. Information/Discussion/Non-Action Items

1. Review and discussion of the proposed Granary site improvement plan

Mr. Connolly and Ms. Carlson worked with Assist Architects in creating a conceptual 3D rendering of the potential look of the Granary site. There was much work to be done in converting the Granary into a viable historical asset for the community. The proposal was for native desert-appropriate vegetation and fruit-bearing trees to reference the orchards here in Southern Utah. Interpretation and signage would also be included to allow people to learn about the Granary's history. Ms. Carlson suggested repurposing the bricks and funds initially proposed for the History Center to be used at the Granary site.

If the Commission were interested in moving forward with the proposal, staff would reach out to the brick purchasers to see if there was support for the proposal and appetite to repurpose their brick for the Granary, or if they would like their money refunded.

Mr. Levin supported repurposing the bricks for the Granary site. He liked the look of the rendering and encouraged the use of native vegetation around the area. The proposed fruit-bearing trees were a great symbolic representation of Southern Utah. He wondered if the Town could enter into some agreement to do a project with the Washington County Water Conservancy to help support the idea of the native vegetation garden.

Ms. Carlson stated that the intention was to future irrigation pipes to the Granary site at the same time the Town worked on the Blacks Wash reconstruction project. In addition, the goal was to establish some native vegetation that would not require much irrigation.

The Commission agreed to move forward with the proposed Granary site improvement plan.

2. Consideration of submitting a CLG grant application for consultant research work on various Town of Springdale historic assets

The purpose of the CLG grant program was to assist local governments with their historic preservation goals. Therefore, it would be beneficial to engage a historical consultant to conduct an intensive-level survey to move several of the HPC's initiatives forward. Staff received a quote from Korral Broschinsky, an Architectural Historian and Preservation Consultant, to conduct that survey. The Town would apply for the CLG grant to pay for those costs. The Town could apply for up to \$10,000 with a match. The grant application was due by February 17th. Ms. Carlson was hopeful that it could be completed on time if some of the Commission could work collaboratively with staff in spearheading the effort.

Mr. Levin asked how comprehensive the grant application was.

- Since the grant was more competitive now, there were questions requiring a level of detail about potential projects that would be funded over others.

Ms. Carlson clarified that the grant money was for Korral Broschinsky to complete the surveys and help with the nominations to the Historic Registry, which were both allowable projects under the grant.

Mr. Dansie described the grant questions, and the level of focus Commissioners would need to apply in assisting with the application.

- Mr. Levin said he could spare an hour or two to assist with the grant application.

3. Town of Springdale Birthday event planning and discussion of HPC involvement

Town staff would be holding a Springdale Town birthday event which was proposed to be held on April 1, 2023. The event was estimated to last three hours and was envisioned to be a BBQ with booths for staff and members of the public bodies. The goal of the event was to allow members of the community a chance to connect with the members who serve them and ask questions. The HPC would need to discuss what information they would like to have available at their booth.

Ms. Rook volunteered to lead in creating visuals for the Historic Preservation Commission's booth at the event. She envisioned a booth that focused on the Commission's direction and suggested having another brick fundraiser for the Granary site.

Mr. Levin noted that he could make a few-hour commitment.

Ms. Krause suggested displaying each of the projects the Commission was working on at their booth to inform the community of the ongoing projects in the Town.

4. Discussion of Commissioner project updates

Historic Jail

Ms. Rook stated that the jail was previously owned by her family members but was later ceded to the Town in 2004. It was a 1930's project created by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). It had about two years of life before it became a storage area. It was built to house those who profusely imbibed rather than harboring severe criminals. In 2006 it was valued at \$9,100. She was excited to conduct further research to find a way to include the jail with some of the other historic assets throughout the Town. Ms. Carlson stated that the intention was to rehabilitate the area and turn it into a viable asset for the community.

Pioneer Cemetery

Ms. Krause wondered how the Town envisioned a goat feeding to eliminate the weeds in that area. Her experience with goats was that when feeding, they made a mess and dropped seeds around, spreading the weeds to a larger area. She suggested utilizing llamas instead of goats as they were easier to control and did not disburse the seeds when feeding.

- There were concerns regarding potential damage to headstones and staff requirements if any animals were used for weed control.

Ms. Krause wondered if a controlled burn would be permitted.

- Amy Barry, the Utah Cemetery and Burials Program Manager, advised the Town not to have a controlled burn.

Ms. Carlson suggested a community-wide cleanup similar to the tumbleweed cleanup that the Town recently had.

Ms. Krause asked if the Town had researched permanent markers at the Pioneer Cemetery and how feasible that would be.

- Amy Barry recommended placing metal numbered markers at the grave sites that would respond to a map.

Walking Tour

Ms. Carlson reached out to Ms. Mitchell for updates on the walking tour project she was working on. Ms. Mitchell had no updates.

Internship Program

Mr. Levin had no updates on the internship program he was working on.

The Commissioners discussed scheduling another meeting before the Town's birthday celebration on April 1st.

C. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Jean Krause to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Rich Levin.

Rook: Aye

Krause: Aye

Levin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

D. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 12:35 pm made by Rich Levin. Seconded by Judi Rook.

Rook: Aye

Krause: Aye

Levin: Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Aren Emerson, Deputy Town Clerk

APPROVAL: _____ DATE: _____

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