

CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Minutes for Thursday, July 10, 2014

PRESENT: Dave Gardner, Gary Parkin, Christopher Ganiere, Karen McKenna-Juergens, Mary Ellen Goddard, Melinda Lowery, Margy Johnston, Terry Shaw, Pam Crenshaw and Alternate George Nakai

ABSENT: Alternate John McQueen

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa McPherson

COUNCIL MEMBER: Wendy Leece (present)

CALL TO ORDER

Lisa called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF June 12, 2014 minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Terry; seconded by Mary Ellen; passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stace Stooks – a resident who works on Church Street informed the Committee that the old church on that street is being sold. Mary Ellen suggested for Ms. Stooks to speak at the next Planning Commission meeting.

Terri West – interested in how other Committees operate.

John Linnert – resident informed the Committee about OCC demolition of old building designed by architect Robert Alexander. Mary Ellen suggested that the Committee members could as residents attend the public meeting on July 15; but the Committee could not assist since it's property of OCC.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Historical Site Markers

- Lisa will check with Public Service on when the Welbourne marker will be installed and inform the Committee at the August meeting.
- Margy informed the Committee about the Costa Mesa Lumber Company located on 17th and Newport Blvd *“opened in July 1922 by Jesse Answorth and Ross Hostetler, who became the sole owner in 1928. A retail dealer open to the public and contractors. Carried a full line of “high grade” lumber including pine and redwood from North California, hardwoods from the East Coast and fir, spruce and hemlock from the Pacific Northwest. Also sold building materials (shingles, doors, and roofing) and did remodeling”.*
 - Melinda found an ad that stated “Pine Lumber for every need phone number 48”

2. Old newspaper clipping project

- Melinda did research at the Historical Society and informed the committee of some articles and ads she found from 1924.
- Christopher create an “introduction” paragraph for the webpage - *“many of the news articles populate our local newspapers (The Times, Daily Pilot or OC Register). Here are some of the subjects that the articles covered: parks and trails, city council candidates, local sports and sports figures, a plane crash, a car crash, a rare corpse flower ready to bloom, the police blotter, and schools to name a few from the search results pages. The human condition is ever changing, but very much the same. Please enjoy these compilations of stories from our city’s past that reveal the recurring themes of life”.*
- The Committee will review to discuss and approve at the August meeting.
- The Sub Committee will meet and present at the August meeting ideas on how the clippings should be published.

3. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents

The sub-committee (Dave, Gary and Karen) met and presented the following criteria:

Must meet one or more of the below:

- Lived in Costa Mesa
- Business was in Costa Mesa
- Sports personality from Costa Mesa
- Went to school here
- Contributed to community

Sub categories are as follows:

- Sports

- Business
 - Publishing/Author
 - Early Costa Mesa
 - Entertainment
 - Teaching profession
- The sub-committee also suggested adding Bob Hurley, removing veterans and conducting more research on some of the names.
 - The Sub Committee will meet and present at the August meeting ideas on how the notables should be published.
4. Research “Then and Now Buildings”
- No report
5. Historical Society Partnership
- The Committee received a request from the Historical Society requesting a donation of \$750 for a lap top that the Committee and public can use.
 - Melinda made a motion to donate \$750 to the Historical Society for a lap top that the Committee and public can use; seconded by Pam; passed unanimously.
6. New Ideas
- Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

- None

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- Christopher – visited the “Owl Barn” (old test engines) on NSSA Edwards Air Force Base.
- The Historical Society event – no speakers during the month of July or August.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 14, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room.

