

CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Minutes for Thursday, May 14, 2015

PRESENT: Gary Parkin, Christopher Ganiere, Karen McKenna-Juergens,
Dave Gardner, Mary Ellen Goddard, Terry Shaw, Margaret
Johnston, John McQueen and alternates George Nakai and
Matthew Fletcher

ABSENT: Melinda Lowery

STAFF PRESENT: Justin Martin

COUNCIL MEMBER: Sandra Genis (absent)

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF April 9, 2015 meeting minutes

A motion to approve the amended minutes from April 9th was made by Dave Gardner;
seconded by Terry Shaw; passed unanimously with discussed corrections.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Subcommittee Reports

1. Old Newspaper Clipping Project
 - After a brief review of the project goals, there were no updates to be given regarding this project.
2. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents

- After a brief review of the project goals, the group spoke about selecting photos to include on the website. Dave will get photos from Historical Society and email them to Justin.
 - Will come with six new names to June or July meeting.
3. Then and Now Historical Site Buildings
- Margy discussed a few changes to the latest version and Justin will update once received.
 - Purchasing site markers for phase II will be put on hold until pricing is inquired about.
 - Justin will find out the incurred cost of twelve historical markers and inquire about a schedule that city staff can follow if installed.
 - Terry had no updates to provide regarding this project but will snap photos of the buildings and have them to present at the June meeting.
4. Mills Act Review
- Mary Ellen spoke about the information she found. Who is the staff in planning that can give information on Mills Act? Justin to find out.
 - Looked at City of Orange and their Mills Act information online and stated that it is an excellent resource.
 - Staff will meet with City planning staff person on how to move forward.
5. Fairview Park Artifacts Research
- The Bowers Museum does have artifacts from the “Norris Site.” Artifacts are not available for display because they are too culturally sensitive and off of exhibit.
 - Conversation followed regarding next steps on this project.
 - John will look into contacting Bowers for additional Costa Mesa artifacts that may be available for display.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Welcome New Member
- The group welcomed new member, Matthew Fletcher
 - Matthew will join the Mills Act Sub-committee, as he has had real estate experience regarding this program.
2. Committee Chair Nominations
- A motion to nominate Chris was made by Margy; Dave seconded; passed unanimously.
 - For vice chair, a motion to nominate Terry was made by Dave; Mary Ellen seconded; passed unanimously.
 - For secretary, this will get decided next month – dependent on current secretary Melinda’s committee member status. Mary Ellen nominated Matthew; seconded by Terry; passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Dave: Please update member list for next meeting.
2. Mary Ellen: No comment.
3. Margy: No comment.
4. John: No comment.
5. Terry: Historical Society Program at end of June (29th at 2pm). Craig McDonald will be the speaker.
6. George: No comment.
7. Matt: No comment.
8. Karen: No comment.
9. Chris: Spoke about personal trip to a farm located near Fresno and his experience at this unique place. Also spoke about his opinion of the library project.
10. Gary: No comment.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

Justin spoke about the next Library Public meeting, scheduled for June 18th. He also spoke about the importance of continuing to move forward on all projects.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room 1A.