

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Minutes for Thursday, November 8, 2012

PRESENT: John McQueen, Christopher Ganiere, Terry Shaw, Mary Ellen Goddard, Melinda Lowery, Margy Johnston, Pam Crenshaw Louisa Arnold, Bob Wakeham and alternates Gary Parkin and Dave Gardner

ABSENT: Jeff Mathews

COUNCIL/STAFF PRESENT: Council Member Wendy Leece and Lisa McPherson

CALL TO ORDER

John called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

APPROVAL OF October 11, 2012 minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bob; seconded by Dave; passed unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Helen Nelson and Mr. Cornell Iliescu from Noble Cause Foundation (NCF) spoke about assisting NCF in obtaining a museum for military memorabilia.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Tongva Info Sign

- Unveiling Ceremony
 - Ceremony will be on Saturday, Dec 15 from 9-10am. Lisa will purchase water for the event. Lisa passed around a draft postcard invite and the Committee agreed to use it.

2. Historical Site Markers Phase II

- Lisa showed the Committee the marker and will let the Committee know when the City Engineer places the mark into the sidewalk. Lisa will email Margy's verbiage for the Committee to review.
- Margy found the following information about Bayview Ice Company (1704 Flower between the years 1936-1946) *was owned and operated by the Dinger family. The ice was made in Newport Beach and brought to the Costa Mesa location where it was stored. The ice was made in 300 lb blocks and sold in 100 lb pieces for 25 cent per 100 lbs. Delivered daily to homes and businesses*

including the Santa Ana Army Air Force Base during WWII. The Dingers let customers use the ice lockers to store large amounts of meat (beef, pork or goat) and storage fee were often paid with pieces of frozen meat.

3. *Historical Building Booklet*

- Pam and Dave are still researching.

4. *60th Anniversary*

- Dave, Mary Ellen and Pam will provide verbiage and photos for the following letters; B = Bird Farm, C = 1st City Hall F = Fish Fry, I = Indigenous People, O = Orange County Fairgrounds, P = Paulo Drive In, U = Universities, V = Volcom Skate Park, Z = Draw a Zoo

6. *Commemorate the Santa Ana Air Force Base*

- Gary and Historical Society President Bob Palazzola met with OC Fairground staff to discuss bronze plaques that will be displayed around the Fairgrounds. Gary passed around a draft picture of one of the plaques which will provide information pertaining to the SAAFB. Gary will continue to keep the Committee updated on other projects the Fairgrounds will be discussing in regards to the SAAB (this acronym is different than the one used in the previous sentence).

NEW BUSINESS

- None

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- The Historical Society event – Sat, Oct 21 at 2pm “The Lion Among Us” speaker Mike Scheafer
- Dave would like for the Committee to consider doing a project with old newspaper clippings. John requested the Committee members to come up with ideas to discuss as new business at the December meeting

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- Council Member Leece appreciated the Committee’s dedication and mentioned that she was working on rejuvenating the American Legion at the old police sub station.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 5:30pm located in City Hall Conference Room 1A