

Historic Preservation Review Board – July 11, 2007 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was called to order by Chair, Mary Jane Anderson, at 7:07 PM at Town Hall.

Chair Anderson called the roll.

Members present: Mary Jane Anderson, Chair; Kevin Peterson; Michael Jean Carpentier and David Waldron

Also Present: Sandy Strehlou, HPRB Coordinator,

MINUTES

Minutes for the HPRB June 1st, 2007 Forum on Incentives were approved.

Minutes for the HPRB June 27 2007 were approved.

CLG DESIGNATION (Certified Local Government)

Coordinator Strehlou provided the HB board with documents explaining how CLG status would enhance the Town's historic preservation efforts, and what steps are needed to qualify.

Questions regarding how becoming a Certified Local Government Designation (CLG) were asked including:

- Will becoming a CLG change our program?
- How might it affect our HP manual?
- How might it affect how we work with the community?
- Will it create new responsibilities for historic properties outside the town?

HPRB Coordinator Sandy Strehlou explained that she doubted it would change the manual but that she will send a copy of our manual to Megan Duvall, CLG Coordinator for the State of Washington, to check. Strehlou added that the State's requirements for CLG designation are designed to ensure standardization of preservation standards and commission process nationally. In order to be designated, the existing TFH preservation ordinance would need revision, including the implementation of a formal registry of historic sites. She cited the advantages of being a CLG, including eligibility for grants and training.

Strehlou outlined the process for moving forward. Staff will draft new historic preservation for the Ordinance, and before returning to the HPRB, she will review the draft with Town Attorney, Eaton, and Megan Duvall, CLG Coordinator for the State. Once the Board reviews the final draft, the Board will approach the Town Council for approval to submit a formal proposal to the State.

Strehlou invited the Board to email her with further questions.

2007 SAN JUAN COUNTY FAIR

Plans continued for the County Fair Booth. Board members are asked to have all materials needed by our next board meeting, July 25th.

BOARD PRIORITIES

Strehlou outlined suggested Board priorities for the coming months; these priorities were approved.

July – September 2007: design reviews, landmark registry and the fair

October – December 2007: design reviews, CLG designation and Special Property Tax valuation incentive

January – April 2008: design reviews, HP manual update and National Historic Preservation Month activities

SPECIAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENTS

A discussion ensued regarding the voluntary assignment of Board members to special topics relating to historic preservation in Friday Harbor.

Transitional Neighborhoods—David Waldron
Spring Street Streetscape Improvements—Kevin Peterson, David Waldron
Ferry/Transportation Development—Kevin Peterson
Town Council Liaison—Mary Jane Anderson

STAFF REPORT

Co-Coordinator Strehlou reported giving administrative approval for a project to re-roof Friday Harbor Drugstore to fix their leaking roof.

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Mary Jane Anderson, Chair

Peggy Sue McRae
8:45: Meeting adjourned