

Historic Preservation Review Board – February 27, 2008 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was called to order by Chair, Mary Jane Anderson, at 7:04 PM at Town Hall.

Chair Anderson called the roll.

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

Also Present: Sandy Strehlou, HPRB Coordinator and Marilyn O'Conner, Director of the Port of Friday Harbor

Minutes

Minutes for the HPRB meeting of February 13, 2008 were approved with minor corrections.

Design Review Downriggers Door

Marilyn O'Conner, Director of the Port of Friday Harbor, addressed the board with plans to replace double windows on the lower side of the Downriggers building with a new double door. The door style will match existing doors and windows. This part of the building faces the docks and contains six small offices that are rented to six businesses including Whale Watch businesses. The building is non-historic.

Referencing page 51 of the HP Manual the board approved the project.

#1. Compatibility – yes

#5. Windows, Entryways and Porches – yes

Chair Anderson recommended that in the future the applicant consider cleaning up the north side of the building.

Administrative Review

HPRB Coordinator, Sandy Strehlou explained to the board that the Spring Street School reroofing project was approved as an administrative review. Replacing the old cedar shingles with composition shingles is an alteration to a significant historic structure in the downtown commercial area. It has been the board's practice to approve composition shingles of appropriate color as an acceptable replacement for wood shingles.

Board Retreat

Coordinator Strehlou provided the board with materials that she will be putting in binders for the upcoming board retreat. These materials include copies of photographs for case studies of historic properties that the HP board has reviewed in the recent past. The images are arranged from oldest photographs available to current photographs. Other structures will be posted on the bulletin board.

Guest will include: Nancy Larsen, whose expertise is the origin and intent of Friday Harbor's Historic Preservation program; Boyd Pratt, whose expertise is architectural history and vernacular architecture; and Michael Houser, an architectural historian from the State Department of the Interior whose expertise is State and Federal standards for preservation.

The board prioritized Churchill House, the Alvia Carter House and Friday Harbor Realty. It was decided that discussion of large new construction such as Churchill Corner or the Misty Todd development would be postponed to a later retreat.

The retreat will begin at 8:30 AM March 1st and conclude with a potluck lunch and open discussion. Coordinator Strehlou will provide coffee.

General Discussion of Recent Reviews

The board engaged in a general discussion regarding the processes involved in the review of Haley's renovation and the new trellis at Roy's Drive Thu. Board member Kevin Peterson relayed his recent conversation with the builder of Haley's and coordinator Strehlou will give John Jackson a follow-up call regarding the implementation of board member David Waldron's trellis design.

Friday Harbor Centennial

The board discussed possible projects relating to Friday Harbor's upcoming Centennial. Coordinator Strehlou suggested documenting Friday Harbor's waterfront from the University of Washington Marine Laboratories to Jensen's Shipyard possibly developing a pamphlet similar to the Walking Tour Brochure and possibly working in conjunction with the Port of Friday Harbor. Board member Gary Franklin informed the board that the Historical Museum has a video interview with Nordine Jensen who Chair Anderson informed the board is still living.

A marker explaining the significance of Memorial Park was also suggested. This may fit in with Peterson and Waldron's plans for downtown street furniture.

Mary Jane Anderson, Chair

Peggy Sue McRae
8:30 Meeting adjourned