

McCall Historic Preservation Commission

Meeting Minutes 6/7/10

Present: Sandi Hammond, Brian Corcoran, Bob Fairbrother, Carol Coyle

Brian called the meeting to order at 1:41pm. A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. Sandi moved to approve the minutes; Bob seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Heritage Barn conference report:

Bob reported on the Heritage Barn conference he attended in Walla Walla, Washington. He said that he learned that historic barns are very costly to maintain, and a number of federal regulations have affected owners' ability to use the barns for various purposes. He mentioned that Frank Eld of Donnelly was there to present information on Donnelly and the Sackerman building that was relocated to Donnelly and reinstalled through donations and volunteer work. Bob reported that there were attendees from Washington, Colorado and other areas, and that there is a heritage barn program in the state of Washington. Other information he shared included: Texas has the most barns at 51,000 and Idaho has 684; barns provide habitat for a variety of wildlife; and it is estimated that 90% of the barns will be gone soon, as they are deteriorating rapidly through crumbling foundations and roofs are failing. Bob said the conference was well worth it, but he was disappointed that it was so heavily focused on government regulations to maintain the barns and the expense of preserving them.

Historic Walking Tour brochure:

It was discussed that the brochure is related to the centennial celebration planned for 2011. Brian suggested that approximately 12-15 locations could be identified and each month, members would work on 4 locations. It would include a photo of the building and a narrative description. Bob said he can edit the photos and he will contact Walt Jordan's daughter to see if more photos can be obtained. Sandi volunteered to talk with Carlene Gans. Carol will provide the history for the Hotel McCall and the Old Jail, and it was suggested that Marlene write the narrative for Lake Street Station and Mountain Monkey Business.

McCall Birthday Party:

Brian suggested the Happy Birthday sign be placed in a prominent location at Legacy to encourage people to stop by. Information about the centennial should also be made available. Members will discuss more next meeting.

The next meeting was set for July 6th. Sandi moved to adjourn the meeting; Bob seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Submitted by: Carol Coyle

Brian Corcoran 7/6/2010

Brian Corcoran, Chairperson