

**McCall Historic Preservation Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes February 27, 2017**  
**Legion Hall, 216 E. Park St.**  
**McCall, ID 83638**

Present: Gary Thompson, Walt Sledzieski, Sandi Hammond, Marlene Bailey, Jennifer Theisen, Carol Coyle (via phone) and Morgan Bessaw.

Chairperson Thompson called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. The minutes of the January 16, 2017 meeting were reviewed.

*Commissioner Hammond moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Sledzieski seconded, all Commissioners voted aye and the motion carried.*

**DVD Project Update**

The project is still moving forward. The draft script should be ready for review by early next week. All members are asked to review the draft script for accuracy. Marlene is going to Boise to meet with Brian Corcoran soon to narrate a portion of the DVD.

**CLG Grant Update**

Carol Coyle reported that the CLG Grant was fully funded for all five Commissioners to attend the Idaho Heritage Conference this year. The City should receive the contract soon.

**Pioneer Hangar Project**

Commissioner Sledzieski reported on the Pioneer Hangar Project. Jay Scherer, Airport Manager, spoke with the owner of the hangar to discuss the restoration. The owner is familiar with historic preservation and is interested in learning more about the project potential and would like to meet in person. However, the owner's engineers have looked at the hangar and believe it is likely a teardown. The damage from heavy snow loads and the burst water pipes this winter created serious damage. The Commission and the owner will still move forward with the meeting in the next week or two to get more information. Options such as exterior façade donation to HPC should also be considered.

**Local Recognition Program**

Commissioner Thompson passed around handouts for McCall Landmark Designation Proposals and McCall Historic Landmark Nominations. All members are asked review to these forms for any revisions or changes. Before the Commission starts the program up again it would be good to get some positive press in the Star News to let the public know what the Commission is trying to do because there have been mixed results with the public in the past. The process does not have to limit what people can do with their property. The Commission will also need to come up with some criteria less stringent than the National or State standards. Possible criteria could include age, historical contribution, and architectural contributions.

**Boy Scouts of America Historic Trail Program**

Carol Coyle received a call from a gentleman associated with the Boy Scouts of America. This gentleman grew up in McCall and wants to establish a national historic trail program in Valley County that scouts could earn a badge for visiting and learning about the historic resources in the community. Possible points of interest on the trail include Roseberry, Hotel McCall, Central Idaho Museum, and the Payette Lakes Inn. Carol sent him the McCall Historic Walking Trail brochure to consider for other points of

interest. The Commission is interested in meeting with this gentleman this summer to learn more and recommend that he also contact the National Park Service, which already works with the Boy Scouts and National Historic Trails. Commissioner Theisen volunteered to head the project if need be at a later date.

### **Commission Reports**

Members were reminded to send resumes to Carol Coyle as soon as possible as part of the Certified Local Government recertification program. Members may identify any trainings attended related to working on the commission. This will help make sure the Commission remains eligible for state funds.

Commissioner Theisen reported on the past weekend's Centennial Celebration she attended. The event was held at the Roxy Theatre in Cascade and included: Winter Carnival replay, flag ceremony, a reading of Congressional Record from Senator Crapo, the Cascade Ramblers preformed, words from centenarians, and a slide show of historic photos.

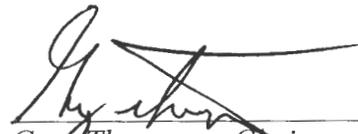
Commissioner Theisen also noted that the Commission has not been consistent with naming projects and suggested that they be more consistent with project naming in the future. She volunteered to work on a project naming protocol. Walt offered to assist. Official project names will be selected at the next meeting for all current projects.

Commissioner Thompson attended the Cabin Fever Series on archeology that discussed the early Chinese community in Warren. It was mentioned that one gentleman left Warren to run a hotel in McCall. The Historic Preservation Commission had not been aware of this individual in the past and suggested that someone investigate this information so that it can be included in McCall's history.

*Commissioner Bailey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:00PM. Commissioner Hammond seconded; all commissioners voted aye and the motion carried.*

The next meeting will be held March 27<sup>th</sup>, at 1PM in Legion Hall.

Submitted by Morgan Bessaw



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Gary Thompson, Chair  
Historic Preservation Commission