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Minutes

Historic Preservation Commission

Monday, September 26, 2016

5:30 PM

City Hall Small Conference Room

1. Roll Call

Cam Hanna called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm
In attendance were: Gary Nordin, Jason Hanson, and Nick Higgins. Staff Adam Trimble, and Parks Manager Curt Nedved and resident and Sandbagger Rick Johnson were also present.

1. a Approval of the Agenda

The group moved a presentation of the RA Long Historic Preservation Award and the first item of business to the top.

2. Approval of Minutes

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Attachments: [MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 12 2016 SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION](#)

Correction in last paragraph Gary Nordin was misspelled in middle to last paragraph.

Approved with correction.

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 22, 2016 REGULAR MEETING

3. Constituent Comments

4. Board Member Comments

Gary- appreciates the Monticello Hotel facebook page; garnering good support. Nick Higgins reportes people are hoping it stays true to original- Jason Hanson saw over 1,000 people following.

5. Reports

Project Longview

Staff Reports- present Rober A Long Historic Preservation Award plaque to Bev Anderson

The group presented the award and plaque for the 2016 Rober A Long Award to Beverly Anderson and family of Tom Anderson who passed away in 2016, and who served on the Historic Preservation Commission. The group recalled Tom's selfless service and dedication to Longview and love of history (and Montana).

Historic Districts

6. Old Business

The group adopted amendments to the bylaws allowing attendance by phone or video conference if approved in advance by the Chair.

7. New Business

RA Long High School Visitors Stadium Demolition

Staff reported that the visitors stadium at RA Long Highschool is not part of the historic register listing and is not likely significant.

Lions project at Lake Sacajawea- discuss early proposal

The group gave feed back that the roof color should match the Shay locomotive.

CA 2016-3 APPLICATION TO REPAIR THE NUTTY NARROWS BRIDGE

Representatives of the Sandbaggers organization have reported the bridge 'deck', a used fire hose has worn out and needs to be replaced. The applicants report the hose is not a durable material and propose to change the material to durable rubber belting or treat a fire hose if installed again.

Recommended action: Repair the bridge with a firehose as has been used in the past. Because the uniqueness and significance of the structure is related to the resourceful use of a 'local' material, and the material is still available, the same material should be used. If a treatment is applied, the treatment should not affect the exterior appearance of the firehose material. Consider encouraging use of a paint or dye to preserve the yellow color of the fire hose if a treatment/preservation method is allowed.

Attachments: [CA 2016-3 Nutty Narrows Bridge deck application](#)
[Significant criteria and features](#)
[Historic Inventory Report Nutty Narrows Bridge](#)
[National Historic register Nomination Form](#)

Nutty Narrows Bridge: Staff presented the history, inventory and historic register information.
Rick Johnson, representing the Sandbaggers and volunteer to refurbish the

bridge reported that he has made all the new bridges and they use rubber belting from Goodyear with three cables. To support them.

The Nutty Narrows is deteriorating and the used fire hose is deteriorating already. Two wires are threaded through the bridge. The fire hose is falling out and squirrels would need to leap five feet to make it to the bridge deck. Curt Nedved reported that every 4 ½ to 5 years they need to replace the hose. Longview Fire Department provides used hose. Rick recalled there was a celebration when it was last re-installed. Curt reports that it is not an easy thing to get down and re-install and it would be nice to have it last a long time. Christmas lighting is installed each year. Rick made the case that the bridge will remain a bridge; people see it but don't notice the belting. He provided a sample of the belting.

Cam asked could you bolt a fire hose on the bottom of the new belting? Rick notices that the fire hose actually stays wet a long time and doesn't dry easily. The group discussed this idea, concluding the belt would likely deteriorate at a similar rate.

Gary Nordin explained that there are federal guidelines that encourage us to require the use of original materials- Can you get a rubber belt that looks like a fire hose? Rick thought that yes sometimes there is an exposed textured belt. Staff offer that the original materials are available and you get to have a party every 4 years when it is re-hung, maybe it's not a bad thing. Curt Nedved pointed out that on the other hand, the trees are likely to fail before the belting. Nick Higgins asked if there a local source for the belting? Yes- it comes from the community as seconds from a Goodyear company. Rick pointed out that the cabling is going to be exposed on the new design; right now it is inside the hose. Curt observed that right now the hose has clamp brackets on either side of the cable.

Cam noted that the change is reversible; no destruction of the materials that can't be undone later if desired. Rick explained that the bridge by Lions Island has the fabric belting exposed on the bottom and the group could go look at that example and give feedback if needed.

Gary Nordin made a motion to approve the proposal to replace the Nutty Narrows bridge deck with an alternate material rubber belting with a condition that it have a textured fabric underside. Sample to be provided if commissioners do not accept the material on other bridges. Belting to match existing width. Jason Hanson seconded. Unanimous. Project to take two weeks after removed from trees.

8. Final Comments

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm