

IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioners Present: Von Alleman, George Weight, Craig Child and Ellen Clyde, Nancy Calkins, Jeremy Fowler

Commissioners Excused: Mariah Hurst, Kristen Kallaker and Lyric Canaan

City Staff: Josh Yost, Community Development Director

Ellen Clyde chaired the meeting. She called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Approval of the January 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Alleman moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Child seconded. The vote to approve the January 18, 2024 meeting minutes was unanimous.

2. Approve an amended Landmarks Commission Meeting Calendar

Commissioner Alleman moved to approve the amended meeting calendar. Commissioner Weight seconded. The vote to approve the amended meeting calendar was unanimous.

3. Update on status of Jolly's Ranch Barn

Director Yost explained that he missed the grant deadline but could apply next year. He had a conversation with the new Internal Services Director, Scott Sensanbaugher, about the Commission's interest in historic properties that are owned by the city, the Landmarks Preservation Ordinance and how it assigns the Landmarks Committee to coordinate with the city about its historic buildings. Director Sensanbaugher is on board. Whenever we do something, Director Yost wants it to be well considered and everyone knows what we are doing. He pointed out the results of the bathroom at the Carnegie Library that were different from expected. He agreed that we need to do better. Commissioner Clyde said it is an upgrade though. Director Yost said it is, but they did some unnecessary things. And didn't do things that we had money for that would have been helpful. Commissioner Clyde said we are glad for the improvements.

6:38 Commissioner Clyde talked about her research on restoring barn projects. Significance must be proved or SHPO kicks it back. Director Yost concluded we may have saved a lot of money by having a preliminary study done to have it not get to the finish line. Commissioner Weight asked if we don't have the grant, what are the options? Director Yost said city funding and reminded them that city funds are refundable. If we were to spend X amount, we could get some capital funds, because those are listed or eligible. Then you could put that money towards an initial stabilization study for the barn. That would be the way to go. He explained the history of how the Internal Services Director job came to be. Commissioner Child asked if you could preserve funds to store things for them to maintain the parks up there. Also, he has talked to people about doing

concessions there and asked if there is any idea of how they could sell concessions. Commissioner Weight said before we determine funding, we should see what it can be used for. Director Yost said we don't have direct control of the building or responsibility for it. We would have to go to the other departments and let them know the Landmarks Commission is interested and how can we help and support this building to stay. If they decided they don't want it, the Landmarks Commission could advocate for it and then it would be taken to Administration. Advocating and finding information and resources is the extent of our purview in terms of formal action by the Landmark Commission. Commissioner Clyde asked if it would be the Facilities Department that we need to talk to. Director Yost said we are parsing this out. The conversation started with Parks and Rec. It will continue there and with Director Sensenbaugh.

Commissioner Weight asked where we go from here. Director Yost said that it depends on how you feel. Commissioner Clyde expressed that she wants to preserve the barn. She likes the feeling it gives to the area. If the city can provide some kind of funding, they should. Commissioner Calkins said it would be valuable to look at it. Commissioner Weight motioned and moved that the barn be preserved with the caveat that others concerned with funding be approached to see if that is a possibility. Director Yost said we don't need a motion, staff just needs direction. Commissioner Child said that if the city can find a good way to preserve it with other funds, let's do that. Lee Taylor said to try and find some use for it. He suggested putting wagons in it or something. Commissioner Weight moved that the barn be preserved, with Josh having the authority. Commissioner Child said we don't need a motion, but he seconded it. Commissioner Clyde asked if the consensus of the Commission is that we move forward with attempts to have funding for preserving the barn and Director Yost would approach the city about this. The vote was unanimous.

Lee Taylor introduced himself. He was asked to be on this committee. He is with the Historical Society. He is going to do what he can to help the Committee and has information on Downtown.

Commissioner Jeremy Fowler said he is the youngest and newest member. He is ready to learn. He loves historical things. He is a blacksmith by trade. He asked about his role. Director Yost explained he is a voting Commissioner.

Mr. Taylor talked about the historic home walking tour. It is good to put information together to get people interested.

4. Discuss Commissioners' ideas to teach citizens about the history of Springville.

Commissioner Weight brought a brainstorming handout and distributed it to each Commissioner. Commissioner Clyde said we have the information, we just need to organize it in ways that people can find interesting. The home tour is a great one.

Commissioner Clyde asked what happened to the map that we had. Director Yost said it is somewhat alive. The pictures are not there but the data is. Commissioner Clyde said GIS mapping is very helpful. On a project she worked on in Provo, you could hold your phone up to the building and it would show a historical picture.

Commissioner Weight said there is a wide range of ages that need to be taken into consideration. For example, social media may not be the way to go for seniors. Director Yost said it will need to be a multi-pronged approach. Commissioner Craig suggested QR codes. Commissioner Weight suggested putting a QR code on Tatton Baird's hat shop linking to historical information for that building.

Commissioner Calkins pointed out that when people think of the history of Springville, they think of pioneers. But there is the history of all the road contractors and that is a huge part of Springville's history. Mr. Taylor said this is at the historical society and would just need to be sorted through to what is pertinent.

Director Yost talked about the Springville history book that was published.

Commissioner Child talked about having information for families to teach about the history of Springville in short lessons to keep kids' attention. Commissioner Clyde said that if we get information out and they can click on it, it will help.

Commissioner Clyde talked about getting youth groups and information given to kids at school to get to their parents and get them involved.

Director Yost said to make assignments and then we can get some things done. He suggested getting window clings, and more interpretive material out in the community - not just from schools - but plaques next to buildings and structures that are historical. Commissioner Child agreed that would be a great idea. Commissioner Weight suggested QR code window clings for Reams, Tatton Baird's, and Day and Night Laundry which was the old chicken hatchery.

5. Report on social media posts - Mariah Hurst was sick and did not attend the meeting. This item was skipped.

6. Report on discussion with the Historical Society - Josh Yost

56:30 Director Yost had a discussion with the Historical Society and they felt intimidated by this and asked how we can help them. He got the feeling that if you throw money and people at this, then it would be helpful. Mr. Taylor said we don't want to have everything locked up. Commissioner Weight said room for storage is an issue. Mr. Taylor said we have information, but no one comes in to see it. Commissioner Child said we need to generate interest. Director Yost knew it was there and he was intimidated to walk in. Commissioner Fowler left at 6:58 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:05 p.m.