

Pierre/Fort Pierre Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes – November 13th, 2012

The meeting was called to order: by Gordon Koch at 12:10PM

Members present: Gordon Koch, Don Zeller, John Salladay, Marv Paulson, Betsey DeLoache, Leon Schochenmaier

Members absent: Eileen Fischer, Dave Bonde, Crystal Hensen

Guests Present: Jerry Kliensasser

Approval of Minutes of October 9th, 2012: Minutes of October 9th were reviewed and motion made by John Salladay to accept the minutes, seconded by Marv Paulson. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Report was presented by Don Zeller. There is currently \$330 in the city provided funding. There is \$1315 remaining from the first grant received this year of the \$4010 initially provided. Those funds are still available until the end of May 2013. The funds were used to develop the new web site. The second grant was "short notice" and has been closed out with the Commission being able to spend \$2660 of the \$4000 available. This grant only gave the Commission about 4 weeks to spend the funds. This was spent on the new brochures and photos for inclusion in the data base.

Building Permit Review: None this month

Old Business

- **Lindbergh Landing Strip Update** – Gordon Koch and Don Zeller provided an update on this project for the coming year. The Commission is scheduled to appear before the SD Aeronautics Association and SD Pilots Association in March 2013 to present an appeal for funding. It is believed that approximately \$3000 is needed. Don Zeller is working on a draft of the narrative for the Historical Marker for the site. Leon Schochenmaier will assist in working with the SD DOT for safety issues and access to the site for vehicles. A former resident of Pierre is also interested in assisting. This project will be monitored over the next several months for action in the Spring.
- **Brochure Distribution update for Fort Pierre** – Eileen Fischer was not in attendance so an update on brochure distribution in Fort Pierre was not provided.
- **Update on Spring Art Project** – Gordon Koch reported that there is no new information to add on this spring 2013 event since reporting it the last meeting. Preserve South Dakota still has the "lead" on this project and as information becomes available it will be included on the agenda.

New Business

- **QR code sign placement project update** – Eileen Fischer was not in attendance and an update will be provided at the next meeting.
- **Historic Pierre Web Site Statistics** – Don Zeller gave a brief report on the web site “reviews” and use over the past month. The visits averaged 10 pages per visit for a total of 473 total page visits conducted by 56 users over the past 30 days. There were also some visits from other countries. The Commission will start “promoting” the web site in various ways starting the first of the year. Such things as radio, local paper, city information page and the Chamber of Commerce will be considered.
- **Discussion on property additions procedures to the web site** – A discussion on how a site gets added to the web page was held. It was agreed upon those individuals wishing to add their property will present their case to the Commission for review. This will include old pictures, new pictures and narrative to be added to the web page. Each inclusion will be evaluated on individual merit. Gordon will send out a listing of current properties under consideration for Commission members to rank order for possible inclusion.
- **Annual Report Presentation Review** – Gordon Koch provided a final review of the power point presentation he will present at the Fort Pierre City Council and the Pierre City Commission in December.
- **Annual Reports to Historical Society** – Gordon Koch reminded everyone that written activity reports for the Commission are due in December and he will prepare and submit them.

Announcements/Other Business – Because of the holidays no December meeting is scheduled.

Next Meeting – January 14th, 2013