

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting of February 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

Council Briefing Room
Carrollton City Hall

The following members were in attendance:

Julie Hall, Chair
Rachel Lewis
Steve Babick
Cheri Buckingham
John Roppolo
Dennis Raso
Tony Romo II
Sara Salmon (Member Emeritus)

Members absent:

Jim Pipkin (Vice Chair)
Daniel Ogden

Staff present:

Lydia Tormos, Admin Support
Toyia Pointer, Curator of the A.W. Perry Homestead Museum

- 1. Call the Meeting to Order: 7:12 p.m. by Chair Hall**
- 2. Approval or Correction of the Minutes of the January 8, 2014 Meeting**

Motion by Mr. Roppolo, second by Mrs. Buckingham to approve the January 8, 2014 minutes, passed 7-0, (Mr. Pipkin and Mr. Ogden absent).

- 3. Discussion for Finalization of Walking Tours map**

Mr. Romo distributed an updated map for the walking tour. He highlighted the fact that much of the walking path is without sidewalks. There was discussion about possibly redrawing the route to have more sidewalks available. He also checked the accessibility for those with difficulty walking. Some of the members were concerned if there would be an issue using the term “walking” tours since so much of the route would not be available if a person is unable to walk. Mr. Romo said he would follow up on this.

Mr. Babick said he has taken many historical walking tours and most did not have sidewalks since sidewalks were not provided at the time the homes were built. He didn't think this would be an issue.

4. Discussion & Consideration of Replacement of the Pioneer Park Marker

Ms. Hall stated the members have made a diligent search for a photo of the first city hall/fire house to use on the replacement marker and the only photo found thus far was the city hall/fire house built in 1951. Staff informed the members that the request for a photo from the public is now advertised on the home page of the City's website, home page of HPAC's website, on the City's Twitter, Facebook and Bubble Life Connect sites. It will also be in the next Senior Sampler, a senior newsletter published by Metrocrest Services that will go out to Farmers Branch, Carrollton and Coppell. Members hope this will be able to produce a photo.

5. Discussion & Consideration of the College Avenue Architectural Structure of Homes

Ms. Lewis reported that she and Mrs. Buckingham plan to work on this case together but due to scheduling issues have been unable to do so. Ms. Lewis said it was difficult finding information about the project.

6. Discussion & Consideration of Josey Ranch

Mr. Ogden was absent. Mrs. Pointer suggested having Mr. Ogden contact her because she has many photos and names of people he could contact concerning the former Josey Ranch.

Mrs. Salmon had a narrative written by Maxine Howard Powell distributed to the members that described her life on Josey Ranch.

7. Discussion & Consideration of the Wikipedia project and You Tube videos

Mr. Babick asked if there were any updates to questions he had concerning connecting their Wikipedia and You Tube projects to the City's website. Staff informed the members that Kelli Lewis is the new Director of Marketing and that she had said if Mr. Babick used royalty-free music and photos, there would not be any legal issues with the posting. Mrs. Lewis had stated she reviewed what has been accomplished at this point and thought the project looks very nice. She said that once the project is completed and then reviewed by staff, they would link the City's website to these sites.

Mr. Babick showed what has been accomplished thus far on the Wikipedia project and explained what still lies ahead.

8. Discussion & Consideration of the old Ice House

Ms. Hall said she has been talking with Susan Myers, whose husband's grandfather owned the old ice house. She said Mrs. Myers told her that the present day Amici's Restaurant is located on the spot where the ice house had stood and that it had faced the alley, not the street. She will continue to work on the project and look for photos.

9. Event Planning for the Series of Spring gatherings at the Senior Center (Mr. Babick)

Mr. Roppolo said he has been able to arrange a showing of the centennial video at the Senior Center on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 2 pm. He said staff suggested having someone who was interviewed to be on hand to answer any questions. Mrs. Salmon and Ms. Lewis said they could attend. Mrs. Salmon said she would bring her husband and Ms. Lewis said she would see if Mr. Rainwater would be available as well.

Mrs. Pointer suggested they look at having a showing at the Josey Ranch Library located next to the senior center on Keller Springs Road and in addition at one of the recreation centers.

Ms. Hall said she had inquired about using the Plaza Theater and was told it would cost \$500-800. The members suggested she try another tactic with the management to see if they could use the theater for free to show the video. Members suggested showing how this could help showcase the theater and would receive a lot publicity from the City. Ms. Hall said she would approach them again.

Mrs. Salmon said that 600-700 people saw the video at the First Baptist Church in two viewings.

It was also brought up that Lakeview at Josey Ranch Retirement Living is always looking for something to show the seniors, so Ms. Lewis said she would approach them to see about a showing there as well. Ms. Hall said there are also other senior living centers that might be contacted.

10. Other Business

After viewing an article that had been forwarded to the members concerning the City of Dallas' cell phone web app audio tour, Mr. Babick asked if there was any money available for Carrollton's HPAC to do the same.

Staff said HPAC does receive money budgeted for Historical Markers which has not always been completely used. Much of this year's and last year's budget has gone toward the cost of filming the centennial interviews and the production of the DVDs. It is unsure how much will be available but staff will inquire if it would be possible.

Ms. Hall said in her association with the Texas Historic Commission she had received information on how to do research for historic markers. She thought this might be helpful for anyone doing research for a case report and if they were interested in reading it, she would email it to them.

Ms. Hall also distributed a flyer announcing an upcoming information session for the Train Depot foundation and invited everyone to attend.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Roppolo, second by Mr. Raso, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m., passed 7-0.

Julie Hall, Chair
Historic Preservation Advisory Committee

Michael McCauley
Secretary