

LACEY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Remote meeting via Zoom

PRESENT

Commission: Erich Ebel, Kimberly Goetz, Jim Keogh, Seth Huff, and Sarah Thirtyacre.

Excused: David Black and Alan Tyler.

Staff: Jennifer Burbidge, Parks, Cultural & Recreation Director; Carolyn Elliott, Department Assistant; Ashley Smith, Capital Projects Engineer; and Erin Quinn Valcho, Museum Curator.

Public: Sue Goff, Lacey Historical Society

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair, Erich Ebel.

AGENDA

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adopt the agenda as written.

MINUTES

The May 19, 2021 minutes were approved as written and placed on record.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- a. Museum Opening Day target is July 1. Museum staff are installing the new exhibit.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. New Museum Project. Ashley Smith reported that the Salmon Safe Certification was approved and routed for signature. The Lacey Museum will be the first museum certified under this program made possible by Nisqually Tribe funds and a reduced rate from the program. Program advantages:

1. Contributes an additional LEED credit point for innovation.
2. Salmon Safe will support the City in developing and implementing a media outreach strategy for the project certification announcement, which will benefit fundraising efforts.
3. Partnering with Salmon Safe links development of the site to the protection of water quality and imperiled species.

Regarding site archaeology as required for tribal consultation, staff will be meeting to develop the scope of work. The team includes Ms. Burbidge, Ms. Quinn Valcho, Ms. Smith, and Commissioner Thirtyacre. An RFQ is not required; however, if it is over \$15,000, a competitive bid will be required. It is still required to get three quotes in any case, but we can use this effort as one of them.

- b. Lacey Depot. Ms. Burbidge reported that staff began booking weekend reservations on June 1 for July through Sept. dates. We have one reservation on the books for July 31 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Community Development is holding a pop up market at the Depot on Friday, June 18 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Depot. There will be local farms and other vendors selling their products in addition to food trucks.
- c. Jacob Smith House nomination form update. Ms. Quinn Valcho finished scanning the photographs. She shared a slide show and sent a link to commissioners for access to the images.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Recent acquisitions.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the recent acquisitions.

- b. Cancellation of July meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to cancel the July 21, 2021 Lacey Historical Commission meeting.

- c. Historic Property Inventory Update. Ms. Quinn Valcho shared that through the work of volunteers and former staff member Albert McConathy, the historic property inventory is complete and available in a mapping format. It will be publicly available on the new website.
- d. Tribal Relations. Commissioners held a brainstorming session on what has been going well and what can the Commission can do to continue to develop tribal relations. Ms. Quinn Valcho and Mr. Ebel will research and bring back some information regarding events the Commission could participate in the for August meeting.

Ad Hoc COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Policy/StEPs Committee-on hiatus. Ms. Quinn Valcho hopes to potentially work on the CLG reference manual in the winter.
- b. Archaeology Committee. Ms. Thirtyacre reported that she, Ms. Burbidge, Ms. Quinn Valcho and Ms. Smith will be meeting next week. They will be looking at
 - Needs
 - Scope of work
 - What tasks will need to be contracted out

PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Lacey Historical Society (LHS). Ms. Goff reported:
 - LHS held a recent board meeting

- LHS is in the planning process for the annual meeting on Sept. 30.
- b. Others. None present.

REPORTS

- a. Museum/Curator. Ms. Quinn Valcho shared highlights from her report.
- b. Commissioners. Commissioner Huff reported that he will send an email to Thurston County Historical Commission chair regarding the joint project at the RAC.
- c. Chair. No report .
- d. Parks, Culture & Recreation Director. Ms. Burbidge reported:
- Governor Inslee announced full opening on June 30 or before
 - Police Chief interviews are today.
 - Parks Outreach Project – staff have assembled an Outreach Team who will be going out and talking to people in Lacey this summer.
 - The second public workshop for Greg Cuoio Park & Greenways Master Plan project will be July 28 at 6 pm where the public will weigh in on concept alternatives.
 - Public Affairs draft communications plan is complete. Will be added to the LHC agenda as soon as the City receives the final copy.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, August 21, 6:00 pm remote meeting via Zoom