

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
January 16, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Sogge, Jean Kessloff, David Viall, Ken Loeschke, Duane Baumgartner, Mike Bender, John Wagner

OTHERS PRESENT: Rich Dunkelberger, Kelli Digges, Paige Townsend, Karen Bulman, Sharlene Mitchell

Call to Order

Loeschke called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Hotel Alex Johnson

Dunkelberger introduced Digges and Townsend from the Mitchell Gates Design firm. Digges addressed their experience in the renovation of historic hotels. Digges indicated that their project scope would address only the interior renovations.

Discussion followed regarding the elements of the interior renovations including the fireplace, carpeting, color scheme, second floor mezzanine, banquet hall, restaurant, mural restoration, and guest room renovations. Digges addressed the level of detail available in the original architectural plans.

Minutes

Baumgartner moved, Viall seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2009 meeting.

Financial Report

Bender moved, Kessloff seconded and carried unanimously to approve payment of the \$130.00 National Alliance of Preservation Commission membership.

Election of Officers

Sogge and Viall presented the current slate of officers for election. In response to a request from Loeschke, no nominations were received from the floor.

Wagner moved, Bender seconded and carried unanimously to approve Ken Loeschke as Chairperson, Norman Nelson as Vice Chairperson and Pat Roseland as Secretary.

2009 Black Hills Home Show

Kessloff recommended that the booth theme be "Preserving Rapid City One Building At A Time". Kessloff recommended that the Lewis House and the Pennington County Court House be the focus of the display. Kessloff indicated that Judge Davis and some court house staff have volunteered to participate in the booth duties noting the various court house materials that will be provided for the display. Discussion followed regarding mounting new photographs for the display boards. Kessloff indicated that a court house blue print will be offered in a free drawing.

Preservation Month

Kessloff requested approval to rent a traveling exhibit for display in the City Hall lobby during Preservation Month.

Bender moved, Viall seconded and carried unanimously to approve payment of the \$75.00 rental fee for a traveling exhibit to be displayed in the City Hall lobby during Preservation Month.

West Boulevard Photo Project

Sogge and Kessloff indicated that they are working on the project.

Mt Rushmore Road Corridor Study

Baumgartner addressed the placement of the Mt Rushmore Road Corridor in the Transportation Improvement Program. In response to a question from Bender, Bulman addressed the progress on the corridor project.

Photo Archive Catalog Improvement

Bender volunteered to reprint the fourth book of photographs.

West Boulevard Study Committee

Bulman indicated that the committee would resume their work in February.

Other Business

Baumgartner recommended recognizing Who's Hobby for their restoration of the 508 Main Street property.

Preservation Leadership Training – Deadwood, SD

Discussion followed regarding attending the Preservation Leadership Training, sponsored by the National Trust Forum, in Deadwood, SD June 20-27, 2009. Bulman indicated that funding is available in the CLG grant to support two individuals attending the week long training.

Bender and Kessloff expressed interest in attending the seminar.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 a.m.