

Minutes of the October 5, 2012
Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Members Present: Pat Roseland, Jean Kessloff, Cynthia Matson, Eric James, Shawn Krull, Duane Baumgartner, Gavin Williams, Heather Knox and Richard Grable

Members Absent: Michelle Dennis

Others Present: Kip Harrington, Katherine Palmer, Jeanne Nicholson and Pastor Troy Carr

Roseland called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Baumgartner requested that the Mt. Rushmore Road Reconstruction Project be added to the agenda. Kessloff requested that the National Register Nomination for Founders Park and Courthouse Construction Update be added to the agenda.

Matson moved to approve the meeting agenda with the noted additions. The motion was seconded by Knox and the motion was approved unanimously.

11.1 Reviews

715 Kansas City Street (12CM020)

Pastor Carr explained that the building will be 100 years old in 2014 and that a lot of upgrades have already been completed on the building. He added that the last major project to be done is the repairs to the exterior stone work and that they will be applying for Deadwood Grant funds. He requested that the Historic Preservation Commission provide a letter of support for the proposed project so that it can be attached to the grant application.

Harrington explained that a building permit is not needed for the proposed exterior building repairs and that he would verify with the State Historic Preservation Office whether they need to approve the repairs.

In response to a comment from Kessloff wanting to make sure the grouting was correct, Pastor Carr advised that they are working with the State on the proposed exterior building repairs. Krull mentioned he had reviewed the proposal and it was correct.

James moved that the Committee provide a letter of support for the proposed exterior building repairs so that it can be incorporated into the application for the Deadwood Grant. The motion was seconded by Matson and carried unanimously.

Grable entered the meeting at this time.

New Business

Mt. Rushmore Road Reconstruction Project

Baumgartner expressed his opinion that the Historic Preservation Commission should have input in the design of the Mt. Rushmore Road Reconstruction Project as it relates to the roadway located within the Historic District.

Grable informed the Committee that there are a lot of property owners along Mt. Rushmore Road that are concerned about the removal of the on street parking and the proposed medians. He

added that the reconstruction project is on the Public Works Committee meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Harrington explained that the item on the Public Works meeting is Phase I of the reconstruction project which encompasses Mt. Rushmore Road from Tower Road to St. Patrick Street and is to discuss the removal of on street parking. He added that Phase II of the reconstruction project which encompasses the roadway from St. Patrick Street to Kansas City Street is in the design phase at this time.

Baumgartner suggested that the South Dakota Department of Transportation be invited to a Historic Preservation Commission meeting to review the proposed plans for the reconstruction project located within the Historic District.

Roseland informed the Committee that the West Boulevard Association is having a meeting on October 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the Mt. Rushmore Road Reconstruction Project.

Baumgartner commented that the South Dakota Department of Transportation is changing the cross walk at Sixth Street and Omaha Street and that the Historic Preservation Commission should be informed of those changes. Matson requested that the Mt. Rushmore Road Group also be invited.

Harrington advised that a second cross walk will be placed on the other side of the intersection to allow for two cross walks from the downtown area to Memorial Park.

Additional discussion followed regarding on street parking, medians and retaining walls located within the Historic District.

Harrington advised that he will visit with Todd Seaman from the South Dakota Department of Transportation to determine a time that he would be able to attend a Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Baumgartner moved to approve the September 7, 2012 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Knox and carried unanimously.

Knox moved to approve the September 21, 2012 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Krull and carried unanimously.

Old Business

National Register Nomination

Kessloff advised that the State is willing to work on the nomination to add Founders Park to the National Register. She added that Mayor Kooiker supports the nomination. Discussion followed.

Roseland requested that the National Register Nomination be added to the next meeting agenda.

Courthouse Construction Project

Kessloff informed the Committee that she has visited with the County and that they will not be changing the stairs in the courthouse and noted that departments will be relocated. She added that the County has indicated that they will stay in contact with the Committee about upcoming changes in the courthouse.

In response to a question from Krull regarding the continuing education seminar that is scheduled for realtors, Harrington advised that he would check to see if there is any information available on the seminar and would forward it on to the Committee members. A brief discussion followed.

Harrington introduced Katherine Palmer, the new Planner. He stated that she will be taking over the Historic Preservation Commission and the Historic Sign Review Committee.

Baumgartner expressed concern with the removal of the façade and the cornices on the Suzie Cappa Art Center. Roseland advised that he would check with the contractor about the project. Additional discussion followed.

Baumgartner moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 a.m. The motion was seconded by Krull and carried unanimously.