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**BENTON COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**Meeting Minutes  
Monday, January 28, 2019**

**7:00 pm, Avery Center, 360 SW Avery Avenue, Corvallis, OR  
Upstairs Large Conference Room**

- A. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm and introductions were made.** In attendance were Historic Resource Commissioners Larry Landis – Chair, Tanya Freeman, Cody Hull, and Nancy Taniguchi. Scott McClure was excused. Inga Williams, Associate Planner, provided staff support for the meeting and was the Staff Recorder.

**Guests:** Janice Hatfield, family member of the Moore Living Trust, which owns the James Watson house and barn

**B. Chair and Vice-Chair Elections**

This was continued to the end of the meeting to allow HRC members Patti Thrall and Doug Eaton time to attend the meeting. When this item came up for discussion and vote they were not in attendance.

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting, discussion ensued regarding chair and vice-chair nominations.

- Nancy Taniguchi nominated Larry Landis as Chair. This was seconded by Cody Hull. The vote was four members for and none against.
- Nancy Taniguchi nominated Scott McClure as Vice-Chair. This was seconded by Tanya Freeman. The vote was four members for and none against.

**C. Discussion of CLG Renovation Grants**

Chair Landis updated the board members on the Soap Creek School grant (county file number, LU-18-003). SHPO refused the application because the roofing material changed from cedar shingle to asphalt, a change that had been approved by the Benton CLG. Some of the board members wanted to know if there was an appeals process. Chair Landis said he would contact Kuri Gill to see if the refusal could be appealed.

The guest, Janice Hatfield, was invited to speak about her project. She explained that she and her husband are now living in the James Watson house and would like to rehabilitate the house and the

barn. She is specifically looking for help with finding a contractor so she can get a list of cost. Since HRC Vice-Chair Scott McClure is a builder, Chair Landis suggested that staff give Ms. Hatfield his email.

**D. Discussion of other Grants and Historic Revitalization Subgrant.**

Discussion about the Historic Revitalization Subgrant from the Department of Interior ensued. The general consensus was for staff to try to complete the grant, if possible.

**E. Discussion of Oregon Heritage Conference.**

Chair Landis reminded the board members of the meeting to organize the 2020 Oregon Heritage Conference that was scheduled for February 6. The conference venue will be Corvallis and this is the start of organizing the conference agenda.

Chair Landis also mentioned this year's summit in Medford, which is geared towards board engagement. SHPO money is available to pay for board member registration and travel to the summit.

**F. Discussion of Historic Preservation Month, May 2018.**

Board members discussed possible themes for this year's event. No theme was chosen.

Some suggested events include:

- Adair Open House
- OSU Tour on Mother's Day
- Courthouse Tour
- Whiteside Tour
- Talk to Mary Gallagher and add back in the Downtown Tour
- Incorporate one or more cemetery tours

**G. Items from the Public or from the Commissioners – No further items from the public were heard.**

Chair Landis mentioned he had a phone call from Mary Gallagher. She said that a former local register property was under new ownership and the owner indicated interest in placing it back on the register. Chair Landis did not know which property it was. There was a question about what process the committee could use to put the property back on the local register and staff offered to do some research.

**H. Other Business – None**

**I. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.**