

IDAHO FALLS HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting, March 12, 2009

Noon

Annex Conference Room

City Hall Annex Building

Attending: Graham Whipple, Vice-Chair; Julie Braun; Hereschell Mynarcik; Brenda Ring-Pace; Shirley Chastain; Nancy Boland. Renee Magee, staff.

The meeting convened at 12:07 p.m. Braun gave Magee a copy of the January minutes with the typos corrected. Pace moved and Braun seconded to approve the January minutes as corrected. The motion passed. Mynarcik moved and Braun seconded to approve the February minutes.

Chastain explained the Arts Council wished to place an LED message board on their marquee on A Street. She suggested they provide the design to the Commission for review. Magee explained LED message boards are not presently allowed in the central business district. The sign ordinance needs to be modified to allow the Arts Council to use an LED message board. Both Chastain and Magee discussed the possibility the sign be modeled after the historic sign on the Paramount Theater.

Magee asked about the layout of the church brochures. Mynarcik reminded Magee she laid out the church brochures, and Fall Printing should have the plates/software for reprinting.

On May 16, the tour will include the Methodist Church and the D.F. Richards house now owned by Ralph Bennett and Donna Cosgrove. Mynarcik will arrange for a porta-potty to be placed on the southwestern corner of Kate Curley park. Chastain has contacted Cheryl Cox about the book signing. Magee is to develop a brochure for the tour and suggested placing signs in front of those homes on the tour that are contributing in the districts. Braun asked what would be placed on the sign and would it be detrimental to not place signs on all the homes. Reggie and Graham will lead the tour groups. Mynarcik's home will be on the music tour of homes on May 8.

After some initial discussion, Braun suggested looking at the lettered streets to see if there is a sufficient concentration of homes with integrity to warrant a National Register district. The Commission decided to hold the next meeting on Friday, April 10, and tour the lettered streets.

It was mentioned the stimulus package contained additional monies for weatherization, which may mean more historic homes will replace windows, doors, and historic siding. Magee mentioned such federal action is reviewed and said she will forward an e-mail from Ann Swanson. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Renee R. Magee, Recording Secretary