

Amended Minutes of the regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission held on January 28, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 21 Williamson Avenue, Winslow, Arizona. Commissioners Hardy, Leary and Law appeared telephonically.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Kenna
Commissioner Hardy
Commissioner Leary
Commissioner Law

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Sahmie
Commissioner Emigh
Commissioner Beall

STAFF

Peggy Wilson, Recording
Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kenna at 4:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed. Roll was called.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Leary, to excuse the absent members, Commissioner Sahmie, Emigh and Beall. Motion passed unanimously with Chairman Kenna and Commissioners Hardy, Leary and Law voting yes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 3, 2020

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Law and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously, with Chairman Kenna and Commissioners Hardy, Leary and Law voting yes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

STATUS REPORT

A. Chairman Kenna provided an overview of the work completed on the ‘Welcome Winslow’ sign project. Chairman Kenna suggested the Commission might consider obtaining solar lights for the display and asked for permission to get information on different types of lights. A discussion followed. Commissioner Hardy indicated he would talk with the property owner and report back.

B. Chairman Kenna requested Commissioner Law bring the Commission up on the Route 66 sign project, which has been completed. Commissioner Law indicated that the sign has attracted numbers of people taking pictures on it, and has observed people climbing on the rocks around the sign. Commissioner Law indicated that the Commission may need to consider asking about a small parking area and indicated that he had talked with Tim at the City about that and thought that he might want to speak with the police as well about the situation. Chairman Kenna asked if he would also talk to the City about a pathway or area to take pictures by the sign in order to keep people off the rocks. Chairman Kenna asked that this matter be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

C. Chairman Kenna provided information to the Commission regarding an upgrade to the old ‘Scoop’ building, 108 W 2nd Street, indicating that Marshall Larsen from the City had called and

asked if the Commission would have any objection to the new owners replacing the window glass. Chairman Kenna indicated that she had already replied that there were no objections to an upgrade of the window glass.

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

- A. Commissioner Hardy presented an overview of the plans for the Birthplace Cabin being moved to the 218 N Williamson Avenue address. A discussion was held regarding asking permission of the City for removal of a tree currently on the property which is considered a hazard, and the cost for removal of that tree. Commissioner Hardy indicated that he would speak with someone at the City about removing the tree, and if the City cannot do it, he would arrange to get it done. Additionally, Commissioner Hardy indicated that Gene Hancock would see about ordering the supplies and the wrapping necessary for moving the building, as they are considering to start the work as soon as two weeks. Commissioner Hardy indicated that he had not repaired the fence to date. A discussion was held regarding the funds already made available for this project by the Commission, as well as the position of the cabin once it is placed on the property.
- B. Commissioner Leary provided an overview on the W.I.N.S.L.O.W. car hood project. Commissioner Leary advised that permission from the City has been granted in all four of the areas requested, and she listed each of the areas that will be utilized for the West, the East, the South and the North areas of town. Commissioner Leary indicated that Dan Tafoya will need to pick out all of the car hoods that will fit in his machine, and she will leave that up to him. Commissioner Leary indicated that no money is needed at this time.
- C. Chairman Kenna introduced Kenn Evans, who gave an overview of the nomination process for inducting Emma French to the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame. Mr. Evans further spoke to a project for placement of a plaque at the gravesite of Emma French. Mr. Evans indicated that a project such as this will help in preserving the historical fabric of our history and stated that grave tourism is a very big part of cultural tourism, and that this project would be a good opportunity to highlight one of Winslow's famous gravesites.

A discussion ensued regarding the costs of this project, based on the different materials for manufacture of the plaque, and the research provided by Mr. Evans. Further discussion was held regarding the process for mounting the plaque and materials necessary. Mr. Evans indicated that he had a 'stand' for the plaque which he would donate. Chairman Kenna suggested that the Commission ask the City to appropriately place the plaque on the grave site when it becomes available.

Chairman Kenna advised the Commission that it is her understanding that it will not be necessary to get family approval to place the plaque on the gravesite, both because there are no direct descendants in the area, and the fact that the gravesite will not be changed or harmed in anyway in placing the plaque there.

Further discussion was held regarding the ‘wording’ on the plaque itself, specifically to make the “Arizona Women’s Hall of Fame” wording larger and singled out at the bottom of the plaque. Commissioner Leary suggested a QR code might be added that would direct viewers to the Arizona Women’s Hall of Fame website. Mr. Evans indicated that a QR code could easily be added to the plaque underneath the name. Mr. Evans stated that the QR code may need to be linked to the City so that it can be updated if necessary.

A discussion was held regarding the funds necessary and if any donations might be found for this project.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Law to go ahead with the purchase of the Emma French plaque as discussed herein.

- D. Mr. Evans led a discussion on prices for the different materials for the plaque to be placed at the historic subway sign. He answered questions on what type of materials are durable and where the plaque will be placed. Mr. Evans stated the plaque will be placed on an ashlar, either stone or cement, next to the sign. He further stated that it will require the construction of a form and application of color to the stone or cement. There was discussion as to whether the City could place it, or perhaps the high school has students that could do it. After some discussion Chairman Kenna asked if there was a motion for this item.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Leary that this Commission move forward with obtaining the plaque in the bronzed-toned, anodized aluminum with the dark brown sand background. The motion passed with Chairman Kenna and Commissioners Hardy, Law and Leary voting yes.

Chairman Kenna asked Mr. Evans to move forward with these two projects. Mr. Evans indicated that he would put the two bid proposals together and forward them to the Recording Secretary to send them on.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. The development of the Boxcar Railroad Museum at the Winslow Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Kenna asked Commissioner Law if he would be available to help Commissioner Beall with this project and be prepared to bring it to this Commission at the next meeting. Commissioner Law agreed.
- B. The project for placement of plaques for every historic building downtown, with the owners of the building to be responsible for at least some of the payment for their plaque.
- C. Commissioner Hardy asked to consider the possibility of this Commission taking part in the project of putting together the plaque from the Brigham City cemetery. Commissioner Hardy indicated that he would research some of the questions of the Commissioners and would explain how this Commission could be involved in that project.

Before adjournment Chairman Kenna updated the Commission Members on the progress of making the Airport an historic site, as well as the fact that an article is being prepared for the Route 66 magazine which will give some tribute to the Historical Preservation Commission for their work.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Law to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously with Commissioners Law, Leary, Hardy and Chairman Kenna voting yes.

Chairman Tess Kenna

ATTEST:

Peggy Wilson
Recording Secretary