



Regular Meeting Action Items
Historic Preservation and Conservation Commission
March 16, 2009
Parks, Recreation and Tourism Office
1000 W. Country Club Drive
Payson, Arizona

Call to order 3: 20 p.m.
Roll Call: Steve Christensen Jayne Peace Pyle Jinx Pyle Peggy Arbaugh
 Vacant Vacant Vacant
Town Council: None
Staff Present: Cameron Davis Cathy Boone
Others Present: Jim Skinner, Charles Proudfoot, Jean Ogawa

1. Public Comment: The committee shall hear communications and comments or suggestions from citizens present concerning matters other than those items listed on the agenda for consideration. All remarks shall be addressed to the commission as a whole and not to any member thereof. The committee cannot discuss nor take action upon comments received. However, the committee may direct staff to address the issue and/or it may be referred to a later agenda. No public discussion of comments under this section is permitted.
- Chairman Christensen explained the rules of open meeting laws reiterating the information he had learned at the recent training session provided by the town. Mr. Christensen cautioned members from discussing anything outside of a public meeting or through e-mail.
2. Vote for 2009 Chair and Vice Chair Positions (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - A motion was made by Commission Member Jinx Pyle, seconded by Commission Member Peggy Arbaugh, to nominate Steve Christensen as Chair and Jayne Peace Pyle as Vice Chair. Vote passed unanimously.
3. Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2009 and February 9, 2009 (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - A motion was made by Commission Member Jinx Pyle, seconded by Commission Member Arbaugh, to approve the minutes of January 14 and February 9, 2009 as presented. Voice vote carried the motion unanimously.
4. Why Is a Historical Overlay District Important (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - Chairman Christensen and Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee Member Charles Proudfoot explained the importance of having a historic overlay district. Previous state employees had said Payson lacked enough historic buildings but current State Historic Preservation Office employees are saying this could be discussed further.
5. Review Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee Recommendations re a Potential Historic Overlay District (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee Member Proudfoot explained the comments from Angela Dye and the environmental documentation for Historic and Cultural Resources conducted by SWCA.
6. Potential Boundaries of Potential Historical Overlay District

- Members considered structures 50 years or older and places of significant value. Members agreed the boundary area should use the recognized northern boundary of the Green Valley Redevelopment Area to Colcord south to Beeline Highway to West Nugget Street. The southern boundary would be behind the southern properties facing West Main Street but would include South McLane Road (a race track course) to West Phoenix Street. Members agreed the western boundary should extend further west outside the current GVRA boundary lines. Members were asked to continue pondering the boundary lines and the western edge will be discussed at a future meeting when maps showing an extended area are available.
7. Discuss Possible Incentives for Development of Historic Properties (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - Mr. Proudfoot added there were tax credits available for historic districts or tax delays while properties are improved. Grants might also be available.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Arbaugh, seconded by Commissioner Peace Pyle to recommend Town Council consider all qualifying properties of at least 50 years of age or older and reconstruction of previously lost historic properties be exempt from permit and plan fees and all other discretionary fees that the town might see fit to waive. Motion passed unanimously.
 8. Discussion about Membership and Vacancies, including but not limited to, Possible New Member Recommendations (Discussion/Possible Action)
 - Mr. Skinner said he and his wife were still interested in being on this committee but due to some extenuating circumstances had not been able to fill out the required paperwork yet. Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee Member Jean Ogawa expressed an interest in resigning from GVRA to become a member of HPCC.
 9. Requests to Staff for the Placement of Items on a Future Agenda (no Discussion)
 - Potential boundaries with new maps to include the area further west
 - Approval of minutes
 - Update historic district process
 - Update on membership and vacancies
 10. Notification from Staff of Next Meeting Date
 - Next meeting should return to the second Monday of the month – April 13
 11. Adjourn – 4:45 p.m.

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