

CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Minutes for Thursday, December 12, 2013

PRESENT: John McQueen, Margy Johnston, Terry Shaw, Dave Gardner, Mary Ellen Goddard, Gary Parkin, Pam Crenshaw

ABSENT: Melinda Lowery and Rich Cantillon

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa McPherson

Council Member: Wendy Leece (absent)

CALL TO ORDER

John called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

APPROVAL OF November 14, 2013 minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Terry; seconded by Gary; passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Historical Site Markers
 - Margy needs assistance with the editing and layout. At the January meeting, she will bring in her research notebook for someone to transcribe.
2. Old Newspaper clipping project
 - Dave passed around three examples of clipping that Tess Bernstein (Historical Society member) assisted with. Lisa will contact Tess about the articles and draft a mock up.

NEW BUSINESS

- Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents
 - Dave give a list of four notable residents:
 - Herb James (created fiberglass fishing poles and high jump poles)
 - Fred Opps (gourd farm and created gourd tools)
 - Harry “Woo Woo” Stevens (entertainer)
 - Bob Skyos (Candy routine on National TV)
 - John found more on Wikipedia. At the January meeting, the Committee will discuss the criteria.
 - Dave and Gary will be on the subcommittee.
- Research “Then and Now Buildings”
 - The Committee discussed adding a photo of what a building looked like back in the day and take a photo on how the building looks today (i.e. South Coast Plaza, City Hall, SAAAB).
 - Terry and Pam will be on the subcommittee.
- Identify an alternate way to distribute Historical Site Marker pamphlets
 - The Committee discussed placing them at libraries, on CMTV Minute show; create a You Tube video and make wooden display panels of the brochures information and provide handouts at all City events.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- The Historical Society event
 - Esther and Jo Dendel’s memorabilia and historical information are on exhibit at the Historical Society building.
- The Historical Society event – Friday, January 18 at 6pm the “Costa Mesa Historical Society Annual Installation Dinner” with guest speaker Douglas Westfall “Bluffs of Costa Mesa”.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:47pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2014, at 5:30 pm located in City Hall Conference Room 1A