

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
Minutes for Thursday, August 11, 2016**

PRESENT: Matthew Fletcher, Dave Gardner, Christopher Ganiere, Mary Ellen Goddard, Karen McKenna-Juergens, John McQueen, George Nakai, Garrett Peterson, and alternates Dave Goodman and Susan Tuchler

ABSENT: Gary Parkin

STAFF PRESENT: Cecily Renteria

COUNCIL MEMBER: Sandra Genis (absent)

CALL TO ORDER

John McQueen called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

APPROVAL OF July 14, 2016 meeting minutes as amended. Christopher made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Karen seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

Subcommittee Reports

1. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents
 - The subcommittee reported attempts to meet with Edrick Miller, but were unable to do so.
 - Karen will update the notable resident document with Hank Panian, Edrick Miller, Walter Ozment, and Herb Jenks's information. The committee will review and provide recommendations at the September meeting.
2. Then & Now Historical Buildings
 - Staff reported that plaque locations are listed and will be reaching out to the Public Services Department to find out if there are any upcoming repairs/projects that the markers can be added to and installed. Information will be presented at the next meeting.
3. Mills Act
 - Mary Ellen reported that she had found some additional information on the listed homes, but that it was not anything significant yet.
 - Matt reminded the committee that the key objective of the subcommittee is awareness of the Mills Act.

- Discussion took place about ways to provide the city residents with information. Ideas included providing information on the committee's website, sending out informational letters to the homes on the list for potential historical registry, and inviting residents to the monthly meetings. Discussion on public awareness will continue during the next meeting.
4. Costa Mesa Artifact Research
 - No subcommittee update.
 - Staff informed the committee that research is ongoing and that the archeologist has been in contact with ten institutions. Two have reported they do not have any artifacts of interest, two do have artifacts; and they are waiting for the other six agencies to report back.
 5. The Story of Costa Mesa
 - Dave Goodman presented a quote he received from Red Car Media for the printing of the publication. The committee discussed the importance of deciding if they wanted to reprint or if the school district was interested in copies again.
 - John committed to reaching out to the Newport Mesa Unified School District to see if they are still teaching the same curriculum and if there is any interest in receiving copies, updated or not.
 - Christopher recommended the idea of publishing it as an eBook and providing it to the local libraries.
 - The committee continued to discuss whether or not to update the publication if it went to print again. The discussion was tabled until the decision to reprint is made.
 6. Historical Preservation Committee Logo
 - Dave Goodman presented four draft logos that his wife, Mrs. Goodman, had drafted for the committee. The committee discussed the options and decided to continue thinking about using one of the four options provided. Discussion will continue in future meetings. The committee expressed their thanks to Mrs. Goodman for the time she donated to drafting the possible logos.
 7. Committee Participation in Community Event
 - Staff presented the idea of participating in the Scarecrow Festival, building a scarecrow, and having a booth at the event.
 - Garrett made a motion to participate in the Scarecrow Festival, Matthew seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously.
 - John volunteered to assist with the scheduling of the booth and preparing/gathering the information to be provided. Garrett and Dave Goodman volunteered to head up the building of a scarecrow.
 - The committee had a brief discussion of what types of materials to have at the booth.

- Details will be discussed at upcoming meetings.
8. Recreation Guide Advertisement
- Staff provided a copy of the Fall 2016 Recreation Guide with the committee's advertisement, which the committee liked. Staff also discussed the limited space available in the Winter 2017 Recreation Guide, the committee will not have an advertisement again until Spring 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- Mary Ellen reminded the group of the Early California Days event that the Costa Mesa Historical Society is holding on Sunday, August 28 from 1 to 4 pm at Estancia Park.
- George referenced an article in the Daily Pilot about the Costa Mesa Historical Society's 50th anniversary and had a photo featuring Mary Ellen and Art Goddard as co-authors of an upcoming book.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- None.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 8, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room 1A.