

Historic Resources Board

Minutes for 9/17/14

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Vice Chair Duane Wentworth

Roll call was taken with Essner, Santiago, Schey, Essner, Cowling, David Wentworth, and Duane Wentworth all present.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the last three meetings were presented and voted on with minor corrections.

Minutes from 7/16/14 Essner (M) & David Wentworth (2). All ayes.

Minutes from 8/2/14 Cowling (M) & Essner (2) All ayes.

Minutes from 9/8/14 Santiago (M) & Essner (2) All ayes.

Public Comments:

Surendra Barot, a local developer and businessman, spoke to the board about his properties at 806 8th St. and 605 Acacia. Mr. Barot explained how, although he had received a demolition permit from the City, he chose to preserve the historic structures by joining them into one house. He also shared with the board his documents on the research for the property that showed that the homes were constructed in 1906 and 1916 by Judge Charles Warner. He offered to give a tour to board members at any time. Several members expressed an interest in doing so. The board thanked him for taking time to share his story with us. He left his contact information with us. (surendrapbarot@gmail.com 714-536-8676.)

Administrative: Elections

Chair: Schey nominated Duane Wentworth with Essner second. Vote was all ayes.

Vice- Chair: Joe Santiago nominated Kathie Schey with Dave Wentworth second. Vote was all ayes

Treasurer: Roz Essner volunteered to be the treasurer.

Secretary: It was decided to rotate the duties until we have more members. Joe Santiago will be Secretary at the next meeting.

Standing Committee Reports:

Mills Act: Ricky Ramos reported that it is nearly ready for review.

Demolition Review Committee: No pending demo requests. Ricky Ramos will research demo permit for 806 8th St. to see how it was issued without review.

Galvin Survey: Four letters sent to Joe Santiago. Some said it was ready for public review and others said it was not. Joe Santiago requested that Ricky arrange a meeting to discuss Galvin and Mills and how they can be made more malleable. Kathie Schey stated that the HRB is capable of doing more in-depth research on properties. Ricky Ramos, Joe Santiago, and Kathie Schey to meet and discuss.

Wintersburg Task Force: David Wentworth reported that we needed to act immediately. The HRB has approximately \$3,500 in their donation account. Kay Cowling made the motion to donate a total of \$1,000 to the WTF minus the \$300 already approved for the photo display at the Main St. Library. This would leave a total of \$700 remaining to be donated to the WTF. David Wentworth seconded the motion. Vote was all Ayes.

A motion was made by Joe Santiago to use the previously approved letter of support as a standard letter of support in the future instead of going back to the board for each one. Kay Cowling seconded the motion. Vote was all Ayes.

Main St. Library and Triangle Park: Kathie Schey Met with Robin the Librarian to discuss HRB issues.

The following items were discussed:

1. The library does not want HRB archive items to be stored at the site.
2. The picture mounts are failing in the heat and falling. David Wentworth will discuss issue with HB Digital.
Ricky will email Travis Hopkins to have future pictures installed by City forces.
Existing photos will not be repaired.
Kathie will talk to library staff concerning displays at other libraries.
3. Robin has secured the key to the display case with the swimsuit. Swimsuit is HRB property.

Oral Histories/Archiving/Artifacts:

Kathie Schey would like to visit the HBHS APA to review the association and agreements started by former Chair Gloria Alvarez. She stated that she had heard very good things concerning the program there. Kay Cowling will go along also. Roz Essner made a motion to allow Kathie and Kay to proceed with the visit. Joe Santiago seconded. Vote was all Ayes.

Joe Santiago asked about the status of the photos in the possession of former board member Barbara Haynes. Both David Wentworth and Santiago stated that they had provided a substantial amount of the photos. Based on a previous discussion Haynes had with both Wentworths, it was decided to wait and see if Haynes would provide a digital copy of the photos.

Walking Tour: Kay Cowling will go to HB Digital to get cost of printing more brochures and to check on the status of the master.

Plaques and City Markers: Chair Duane Wentworth updated the board on the status of the interference complaint sent to the City Attorney. Wentworth told the board that the City Attorney had spoken only with Fred Wilson and had decided not to investigate any further. In other words, no investigation will be done.

Due to the late hour, all remaining agenda items were postponed to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Roz Essner with Dave Wentworth second.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM