

TROY HISTORIC COMMISSION MINUTES—FINAL**SEPTEMBER 26, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Troy Historic Commission was held Tuesday, September 26, 2006 at the Troy Museum & Historic Village. Rosemary Kornacki called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

ROLL CALL **PRESENT:** Rosemary Kornacki
 Roger Kaniarz
 Kevin Lindsey
 Vera Milz
 Remedios Solarte
 Terry Navratil
 Brian Wattles
 Janice Chen, Student Rep.

Loraine Campbell, Museum Manager
 Brian Stoutenburg, Library Director

The Commission welcomed Janice Chen, Student Representative from Troy High School.

Resolution #HDC-2006-09-001
Moved by Lindsey
Seconded by Milz

RESOLVED, That the minutes of June 28, 2006 be approved

Yes: 7 —Kornacki, Kaniarz, Lindsey, Milz, Solarte, Wattles and Navratil
 No: 0

MOTION CARRIED**OLD BUSINESS****A. Capital Projects**

Fencing

American Fence and Supply installed new gates behind the General Store the week of July 3. On July 12, a weld on one of the 4ft. by 8 ft. gate panels failed when a Garden Club member opened it. The panel fell, crushing her big toe. The volunteer was transported to the hospital for treatment, incident reports were filed, and Steve Cooperrider, the Risk Management director photographed the gate and support posts. American Fence removed the broken gate that day, re-engineered the hinge areas and reinstalled the gates a few weeks later. The volunteer has filed a personal injury suit against American Fence and Supply.

Interior Painting

Danmar Painting completed interior painting in Town Hall, the Print Shop and Poppleton School for \$6,275.00.

Exterior Painting

We will monitor the Woodscapes and wood pickling on the north side of the store through the winter. The commission suggested we also consider old-fashioned whitewash as an alternative. Loraine will pursue this.

Windows

Turner Restorations completed repairs on the windows in the Print Shop, Poppleton School and the Log Cabin. We are waiting for delivery of the mutins for the cabin and window screens for the Print Shop.

Roofs

I am still waiting for roof specifications to be completed.

Town Hall DUR Model

The City has installed a duplex outlet to service the model DUR car. Volunteers Lynn McLean and Dale Schairer will install the motion detector and additional stops along the trolley route. Staff is working with the volunteers to develop interpretive signage.

East Set Back Landscaping

Sinacori Landscaping removed the hard pack in the setback area around and behind the church and parsonage, spread and graded in 4 inches of topsoil, and hydroseeded the area. Additionally, Parks and Recreation planted three Shadbush trees north of the parsonage.

B. Programs

See Attendance Reports

Music in the Air 2006

Total concert attendance was 893. The concerts generated over \$1,200 in net revenue for the Troy Heritage Campaign.

Motoring Memories Car Show

The first THS-museum car show was a solid success. 570 people attended the show, which generated over \$3,800 for the Troy Heritage Campaign. Comments from the exhibitors, sponsors, city staff and the public were all positive. Staff has proposed eliminating Heritage Day next year (because of the conflict with Opa Fest) and offering the car show, which has a higher potential for drawing more people. The Commission suggested increasing the historic interpretive content of the car show so that it is more mission-focused, like Heritage Day.

Winter Programs

In response to patron suggestions, we will offer concerts in the church once each month from January through May. The Troy Historical Society will sponsor these.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Grants

Our MAP surveyor is Dr. Chuck Watkins, professor of history and director of the Appalachian Cultural Center in Boone, North Carolina. We hope to schedule his visit in October and will schedule a meeting of the Historical Commission with him.

B. Interns

Stacey Miller completed the National Historic Place Application for the 1927 Township Hall. Loraine is editing it and will present it to the commission later.

Natalie Bojesen and Candice Belanger completed their research work on one-room schools.

There are no new interns scheduled this semester, but Bill Boardman has indicated he could use an intern or trained volunteer to scan old council and commission minutes.

C. Village Landscaping

Michele Dunham and a team of volunteers have planted gardens in front of Town Hall, the Church and the Pass-a-long Garden in front of the Parsonage. Michele is developing plans for the garden between Caswell and Poppleton School.

D. New Acquisitions

See attached reports.

E. Eagle Scouts:

Rashid Sidwah, a freshman at Troy High has completed his Eagle Scout project to build latticework enclosures around the five air conditioning condensers adjacent to the buildings.

I have received four additional inquiries from Eagles Scout nominees who have asked for projects at the Museum. Two have been assigned projects.

Josh Hepner will construct the wash yard behind the Caswell house. Rigel Ristau will construct benches for the story tree between Poppleton and Caswell.

F. Troy Historical Society Liaison Report

The Historical Society has mounted an ambitious membership drive to double their membership in their fortieth anniversary year. They have produced a new brochure and are developing outreach tools.

The THS 40th anniversary party and the annual volunteer recognition picnic were celebrated jointly this year at a pig roast held at the museum. 146 people attended the event. Volunteers provided over 4000 hours of support to the museum this past year.

The THC has contracted with Oakland Solutions to produce campaign materials and is moving ahead with the Tell Us Your Story Campaign to collect the histories of area businesses and corporations.

G. Reports and Communications

a. Annual Report

The FY 2005/06 Annual Report was distributed by email and hard copy to the commission.

b. Staff

Michele Dunham submitted her resignation effective August 18, 2006. Michele will be working on personal projects that demand more time. However, she still wants to volunteer as the gardens coordinator and will work on a contract basis for the Historical Society to present public programs.

Rather than post the position, I have increased Anne Nagrant's hours to 32-hours/ week until the end of the calendar year to see if this arrangement will increase continuity and stability in the staff. Brian and I will evaluate this arrangement in January.

Lorraine Campbell attended the American Association of Museums Secrets of Accreditation conference in Pittsburgh September 21-23. This seminar and the MAP experience indicate that we have significant work to do before considering making an application. Lorraine would like to incorporate those steps into a five-year Strategic Plan.

The Troy Historic Commission Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, October 24, 2006 at the Troy Museum & Historic Village at 7:30 PM.

Rosemary Kornacki
Chairperson

Lorraine Campbell
Recording Secretary