Meeting Minutes of the
City and Borough of Juneau
Historic Resources Advisory Committee

Wednesday, March 5, 2014
Juneau-Douglas City Museum
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:
- Gary Gillette (Chair)
- Don Harris (Vice-Chair)
- Marcy Sowers (Abs)
- Shauna McMahon (Recorder)
- Mark Sowers (Abs)
- Myra Gilliam
- Marie Darlin
- Zane Jones
- Gerald Gottschall

Staff: Jane Lindsey (CBJ, Juneau-Douglas City Museum)
- Laura Boyce (CBJ Community Development)

Guest: Dan Bleidorn- Deputy Lands Manager, CBJ Lands & Resources
Greg Chaney- Lands Manager, CBJ Lands & Resources
Theresa Mores- CBJ Engineer

I. Call to Order: 5:00 pm

II. Approval of Agenda: Revised the order of items: HVAC 1st, St Nicholas Church 2nd, Evergreen Cemetary 3rd, Empty Chair Exhibit 4th, and ADOT&PF projects 5th. This was to accommodate guests. Approved unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes: Minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none

VI. Old Business:

1. Museum HVAC Planning Update
   Theresa Mores and Jane Lindsay gave update. Three bids were submitted. High cost due to window replacement and asbestos abatement. Museum expects to closure in mid March for project work with reopening in mid May. CBJ staff Greg Chaney made comment that arrangements for storage space at the Marine View building may be possible. In June project work will continue in non public spaces.
V. New Business

1. St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Site Improvements

Dan Blesdorn with CBJ discussed temporary use permit application from Church to use city owned adjacent plot for temporary parking during project. The Church has drain and foundation work planned. Blesdorn also noted that an archaeologist will be maintained on site.

-MOTION- HRAC Concur with city allowing use of city owned lot for St. Nicholas Church project (Marie Darlin motioned, approved unanimously)

VI Old Business

2. Evergreen Cemetery Historic Guidelines Update
   (Item changed to Commemorative Grant Update by unanimous approval)

A grant was submitted for mapping the Evergreen Cemetery. The proposal was for $12,000 with CBJ as the grant administrator and included formatting a cemetery association. The Historic Commemorative Association meeting is April 2 & 3 at the Baranof Hotel in Juneau. It was also noted that Gastineau History Society submitted a proposal also for Last Chance Mine relating to old water lines and includes hydrant detail, old fire trail brushing and boiler building interpretation. It used the 1911-1917 building dates as the commemoratory date.

3 Empty Chair Project

Jane Lindsay, Marie Darlin, and Greg Chaney discussed the upcoming exhibit and activities. Panels. The exhibit panels introduce the experiences of seven families and can be later used for education outreach. A brochure acknowledging the Juneau residents who were interned and public response in Juneau is being prepared. Sara Olsen is exhibit designer and Mary Abo is main driver of the project. Greg Chaney has been preparing silent loop video for the project. Visitors will have the materials to create origami peace cranes as part of the project. Exhibit planned for July 2014 along with other associated events: dedication. The Museum exhibit will run until October 2014. Greg Cheney has also been working on an associated documentary which will be featured at Gross Alaska Theater for a noon showing and Goldtown Nickolodean for an evening show. Marie Darlin is part of the documentary.

V. New Business

1. ADOT&PF Projects

   -Egan Resurfacing and Merchants Wharf retaining wall
   This project was previously discussed by HRAC

-MOTION- Have CBJ staff draft letter expressing previous HRAC concurrence (Motioned by Gerald, approved unanimously)
1. ADOT&PF Projects continued

-Avalanche Gates at Thane

HRAC members discussed proposal to install avalanche gates. It was noted that the areas were already disturbed by previous construction and avalanche activity. The Gates were not in the immediate Alaska Gatineau Mine area.

-MOTION- HRAC concurs that the project proposal project area of potential effect and finding of no historic properties would be affected. HRAC reminds ADOT&PF to make appropriate notifications to the CBJ should historic or cultural findings be encountered. (Motioned by Gerald Gottschall, approved unanimously)

-Brushing along state highways

It was noted that the project area is focused on roadbed area and likely previously disturbed.

-MOTION- HRAC concurs with the project proposal project area of potential effect and finding of no historic properties would be affected. HRAC reminds ADOT&PF to make appropriate notifications to the CBJ should historic or cultural findings be encountered.

VII. Committee Member Comments – none

VIII. Next Meeting

   April 2 2014 at 5:00 pm. City Hall Room 224.
   *the agenda listing of 4/9/14 for next meeting was corrected to 4/2/14.

IX Adjournment 6:30