

WCDC Feb 24, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Mary Lou Andrews, Linda Crampton, Tim Crampton, Chuck Price, Jim Davis

Chuck read the minutes for the Jan 20, 2015 meeting and gave a current financial report. Both reports were passed unanimously. We have \$5000 remaining from the Oregon Community Foundation grant for the covered wagon site, \$384.78 in the City budget line item, \$284.08 from the Hodaka Club donation and \$1871.31 in the Brick Fund.

Chuck gave updates on possible available lots in town for the senior housing project. Linda reported that Peggy Reichert was investigating the possibility of buying Polo's burnt house lot on north Water Street. Tim commented that if we are interested in buying the Duncan house and property on east Main St. we must also consider buying the Cossitt property just to the east of the Duncan property. Chuck asked Tim and Linda if they would consider selling the Overstreet house and parking area just north of the Pine Creek Credit Union on Water Street. They will discuss whether they are interested in selling this property. Chuck will check with Valerie at Century 21 in Milton-Freewater to determine the status of the Duncan property and with Jon Salter at the county assessor's office to find other distressed property in Weston.

Tim discussed the Oregon Senate bill 565 which establishes a trust fund to refurbish historical buildings in Oregon. We voted unanimously to support this Senate bill as it could have an impact on our brick buildings downtown.

Tim reminded the committee that the City budget committee will be meeting soon. As we have new and ongoing projects in town Chuck made a motion to request \$1500 for the new City budget line item. Motion passed unanimously. Tim will check with the City clerk to get more details about the budget committee meetings.

Tim discussed buying more "Historic Weston" banners as two were stolen and we need more replacements. He will investigate these costs with the vendor, Display Sales.

Jim discussed completing the memorial plaques on the Pine Creek bridge brick pillars. We will need to complete the list of our projects and donors to complete this task. Jim will check on the cost of plaque inscribing services at Wiley Memorial in Walla Walla.

Tim will check with Sam Tucker regarding completing a nonliability statement for the East Umatilla Fire District's property at the new south Weston wagon site.

Jim reported his discussion with Peggy regarding the sizes and colors for the covered wagon plastic covering. It was noted that a colored tarp is the preference as a clear tarp would allow the sun to bleach the covered wagon canvas cover. Peggy is doing further research on the internet and Jim will discuss with Rick what type of plastic covering we should order.

Tim will check with the Spurgeon appraisal service as to if they are working on the appraisal for the Jackson's covered wagon site.

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2015 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chuck Price, WCDC Secretary