# CITY OF COSTA MESA HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE Minutes for Thursday, April 11, 2019

PRESENT: Mikelle Fish, Dave Gardner, Mary Ellen Goddard, Joshua

Hutchinson, Karen McKenna-Juergens, Suzi Malek, John

McQueen, Erin Roberts

ABSENT: Gary Parkin, Burton Sirota (Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: William Lund

COUNCIL MEMBER: Katrina Foley (absent)

# **CALL TO ORDER**

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

# APPROVAL OF March 14, 2019 meeting minutes

Mary Ellen made a motion to approve the minutes. Dave Goodman second the motion. The motion pass unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Former committee member, Chris Ganiere, welcomed the new members and commented on how much he had learned in his time on the committee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

# Subcommittee Reports

- 1. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents
  - Staff reported that Fred Allen, Mitchell Hurwitz, and Alice Plumer have all been posted on the notables website and on social media.
  - Karen reported that research is still ongoing for Wing Lam and Charlie Priest.
  - Dave reported that he spoke with Edrick Miller who informed Dave that he did not want to be featured as a notable.

### 2. Then and Now Historical Sites

- Staff informed the committee that three additional historical locations will need to be identified and selected as approved locations before services are contracted to install the sidewalk plagues.
- Suzi and Mikelle volunteered to be added to the subcommittee.
- 3. Recognize CM Businesses (50+ years old)
  - Staff reported that filming for the project took place at Lil Pickle with the owner and Dave Goodman on April 3rd. Staff will keep the committee updated on the release date of the video.
  - Staff reported that there is a scheduling conflict with CMTV for the filming of the Newport Harbor Animal Hospital and needs to be moved to the morning. Staff and Karen will continue coordination to arrange filming.

### 4. Social Media

- Staff reported that the latest notables are up on social media but the page is in need of more content.
- Erin and Suzi volunteered to join the subcommittee for social media to assist with supplying more content.
- Suzi and Erin both discussed the option of creating an Instagram page for the committee to further promote ongoing projects.

# 5. Utility Art Box

- Staff presented location pictures of the available utility boxes at the corners of Merrimac & Harbor and Fairview & South Coast Dr.
- Mary Ellen presented pictures of both the Segerstrom Farmhouse and the The Plunge swim pool for the committee to review.
- Josh made a motion to move forward with both pictures as the next utility art box installations. John second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Staff informed the committee that the approved pictures will be forwarded to the Cultural Arts Committee for review.

# 6. Old Adobe Dedication Plaque

- Staff reported that an estimate had been received for refurbishing and installing of the plaque to the rock at the Estancia Adobe.
- Mary Ellen made a motion to spend no more than \$600 on services to refurbish the plaque. Karen second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# 7. Scarecrow Festival

 Erin and Mikelle volunteered to be on the subcommittee to create a scarecrow for the event. Ideas will be discussed at the May meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. Nominations

- Mary Ellen made a motion to nominate Joshua as the Secretary for the committee. Dave second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Dave made a motion to nominate Karen as the Vice Chair for the committee. John second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Mary Ellen made a motion to nominate Gary as the Chair for the Committee. Dave second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

 Mary Ellen informed the committee that the Costa Mesa Historical Society and the Friends of the Library will be hosting an event at the Downtown Recreation Center with Stan Paher on April 28th. Stan will be giving a talk on the ghost towns of Southern California.

# **COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT** Meeting was adjourned by Karen at 6:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 9, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room 1A.