

1 **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

2 Wednesday, August 2nd, 2023, 6:00 pm

3 Providence City Office Building, 164 North Gateway Dr., Providence Ut

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5 **Call to Order:** Howard Christenson

6 **Chair Roll Call of Commission Members:** Gail Trowbridge, Pat Perry, Howard Christenson, Wes Bitters
7 & Gordon Allred.

8 **Members Absent:** Mary Ann Henke

9 **Pledge of Allegiance:** Howard Christenson

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11 **Approval of Minutes:** The Historic Preservation Commission will consider approval of the minutes for July
12 5th, 2023. ([MINUTES](#))

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 - Howard Christenson called for the approval of the minutes.
 - No corrections were needed.

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17 **Motion to approve the minutes of July 5th, 2023 – Wes Bitters. 2nd – Pat Perry.**

18 **Vote:**

19 **Yea-** Gail Trowbridge, Pat Perry, Howard Christenson, Wes Bitters & Gordon Allred.

20 **Ney-**

21 **Abstained-**

22 **Absent-**

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24 **Motion passes, minutes approved.**

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26 **Item No. 1: State Highway Historical District Signs for Marketing/Tourism Update:** The Historic Preservation
27 Commission will review, discuss, and may take action on updated information regarding the
28 Utah State Historic Preservation Office on possible Historic District marketing/tourism signs on
29 State Highways.

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 - Howard Christenson called item 1, indicated that this item was continued from last meeting so that staff could receive more information on what it entails.
 - Skarlet Bankhead, Community Services Director, stated that she had called the State several times to try and get more information but has yet to reach them. Commented that at this time it would be best to have this item put on a future agenda when she has been able to gather the additional information the Commission requested.
 - The Commission moved to revisit item once Ms. Bankhead can get in contact with the State.

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39 **Item No. 2: Construction update of new historical markers:** The Historic Preservation Commission will discuss
40 and may take action on moving forward with the construction and placement of the new
41 historical markers.

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 - Howard Christenson called item 2. Reported that the proofs for the two plaques have been drawn up. The Commission discussed the proofs and indicated that they looked good.
 - Parties talked about the budget and payment for the pedestals and the plaques.
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- The Commission addressed the timeframe of when they would be constructed and when they would be planted or set.
- Howard indicated that the pedestals have been ordered and are being worked on. Howard and Skarlet commented that they will call to get a status update on the pedestals from Baer Welding.
- Parties clarified the locations and specific spots of where the new plaques would be placed.
- Gordon Allred commented on making sure that there was plenty of clearance between the plaques and the sidewalks or walking paths.
- Parties discussed who would help with the laying of the concrete for the pedestals and when both plaques would be available to the public. Howard responded that it usually takes 4-5 weeks and believed that they could be placed by the end of September.

Motion to move forward with the payment, construction and placement of the two new plaques – Gail Trowbridge. 2nd – Wes Bitters.

Vote:

Yea- Gail Trowbridge, Pat Perry, Howard Christenson, Wes Bitters & Gordon Allred.

Ney-

Abstained-

Absent-

Motion passes.

Item No. 3: Continued discussion of the Edgewood Hall Write Up: The Historic Preservation Commission will discuss and may take action on the write up for Edgewood Hall.

- Howard Christenson called item 3 and asked for comments.
- Pat Perry indicated that she had made some corrections and has sent them to Gordon Allred. Gordon responded that he did receive them and would get them to Howard as soon as possible.
- Commission discussed the write up and history of Edgewood Hall.
- Howard Christenson asked Wes Bitters if he had started on the baseball & softball write up. Mr. Bitters responded that he had and that he was trying to gather names and more information from the Utah Softball Association Hall of Fame to include in his write-up.
- The parties talked about the history of baseball and softball in the valley and Providence's own softball team the Providence Peaches. Ms. Bankhead indicated that her older sister may have played on that team and would reach out to her and try and get more information.
- Commission announced moving forward with getting proofs and indicated that they wouldn't be able to move forward with any construction until the next fiscal year.

Item No. 4: Veterans Memorial & Service Recognition: The Historic Preservation Commission will follow-up on progress that has been made on gathering names for updating the Veterans Memorial booklet.

- Howard Christenson called item 4.
- The Commission indicated that per last meeting they would revisit this item in a few months once they have reached out to gather more names and information through the upcoming city celebration.

Item No. 5: City Celebration; Sauerkraut Days: The Historic Preservation Commission will discuss and may make plans with how they will participate in the upcoming city celebration, which may include helping with the downtown historic tour and promoting the updating of the Veterans Memorial and service recognition pamphlet.

- Howard Christenson called item 5.
- Parties discussed whether they would have a booth during the city celebration to promote the updating of the veterans service pamphlet or if they were just going to try and gather names during the historical tour that Monday evening. Howard commented that the celebration committee has limited booths this year so their main time to gather names would be during the evening of the historical tour.
- The Commission shared the upcoming events that would be held during the week of the city celebration.
- Howard Christenson commented on the bus route for the historical tour and the parties discussed what houses would be a part of the tour. Parties consulted whether they would let people off the bus to look at the markers or keep everyone on the bus to save time and have a tour guide give a history of what they were seeing or what the marker represented.
- The Commission wondered if the Old Rock Church would be open like it was last year for people to tour. Howard responded that it probably depended on the owner.
- The Commission discussed the time limit of the bus tours. Howard commented that when he and his wife drove the route that it took about 25-30 minutes.
- Parties discussed the parade and if they were asked to be a part of it. Howard indicated that he would reach out to the celebration committee and see what they wanted them to do.
- Commission discussed what they would have and do at the Rock Church as people waited for the bus tour. Indicated that there would be cookies and that they would have the tour pamphlets available, as well as the artwork that they had last year on display.
- The Commission talked about who would help with the bus tours and who would stay back at the Rock Church.
- Parties reviewed what they had discussed tonight and their plans for the upcoming city celebration.

Motion to adjourn – Wes Bitters. 2nd – Gail Trowbridge.

Vote:

Yea- Gail Trowbridge, Pat Perry, Howard Christenson, Wes Bitters & Gordon Allred.

Ney-

Abstained-

Absent-

Motion passes, meeting adjourned.

Minutes approve on 4th of October 2023.


Howard Christenson, Chair


Ty Cameron, City Recorder