

Ketchikan Historic Commission

January 27, 2022, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Via ZOOM Meeting ID: 822 5872 7284

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Communications

4. Persons to be Heard

5. Changes to the Agenda

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve December 9, 2021 minutes

7. New Business

- a. DOT notices (none rec'd as of 1/20/2022)

8. Unfinished Business

- a. SHPO grants
 - i. Historic Preservation plan: True North introduction and first steps

9. Commissioner comments

10. Adjourn

Next meeting: (4th Thursday monthly, 3 pm) February 24, 2022

Ketchikan Historic Commission
Meeting Minutes: December 9, 2021 **DRAFT**

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

The Ketchikan Historic Commission meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. via Zoom

Agenda Item #2: Roll Call

(x) Christa Bruce

(x) Anita Maxwell

(x) Deborah Hayden

(x) John Radzilowski

(x) Kristina Hill

(x) Pat Tully

(X) Alethea Johnson for Planning Dept.

(unexcused) Amanda Welsh

(12/16/21 appt) KGB Planning Comm rep

(vacant) 1 Community rep

Guests: Ossie Knowlton (Grow Ketchikan)

Agenda Item #3 Communications

None.

Agenda Item #4 Persons to be Heard

None.

Agenda Item # 5 Changes to the Agenda

None.

Agenda Item #6 Consent Agenda

John moved to approve the November 18, 2021 minutes. Seconded by Deborah

Agenda Item #7 New Business

a. DOT notices

The Water Street Trestle notice was forwarded to Commissioners by the new DOT contact Justin Hayes. Anita will check in with Amanda to see if she has any concerns.

Agenda Item #8 Unfinished Business

a. **Memorial acknowledgement for Ward Lake Internees at Bayview Cemetery**

John reported that he is ready for the next step of contacting the families. He has consolidated lists from various sources. There are 25 confirmed internees buried at Bayview. Two markers currently exist for 2 internees. Based on his research and comparing lists, John feels certain that no one is buried at the site of the Ward Lake internment camp. In visiting Bayview, he noted that the conditions are poor. Markers have shifted and there was lots of standing water. Next steps are to contact the families, contact the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association for help in locating families, and then assess if families want a memorial. John expressed his gratitude to Judith McQuerry for getting the project started. Commissioners. The National Park Service was noted as a good resource for information and photos. Kris shared that the Forest Service is working on a new master plan for Ward Lake that would upgrade interpretation and include work with tribal entities.

b. **SHPO grants**

i. **Historic Preservation plan RFP**

Anita emailed the Commission the sole bid from True North Sustainable Development Solutions on December 3rd. Overall, Commissioners expressed positive feedback for the bid response. Kris would like to hear from Amanda and will check references. Deborah noted that Ketchikan's main "product" is its historical character and that we have real historic preservation needs beyond documenting. She mentioned a possible NEA Creative Placemaking grant that could support wayfinding signs and other opportunities.

Christa moved to accept True North's bid with the contingency that Amanda agrees and True North's references are positive. Pat seconded. All in favor. AM NOTE: These requirements were met via email the following week.

Agenda Item #9 Commissioner Comments

Deborah expressed concerns about KIC's building at 308 Main Street (previously Wells Fargo Bank) and would like for the Commission to be aware if there are any proposed changes to the building.

Anita thanked John for all of his good work on the Aleut Memorial project and reminded everyone that we have one remaining vacancy for a community representative.

Agenda Item #10 Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.