AGENDA MUSEUM COMMISSION
April 13th, 2021 6:00 PM
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CALL TO ORDER

● ROLL CALL: Elizabeth - Eric - Daliea - Donna - Mike - Loyal

● APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC & COMMENTS

Mike Middleton, Wasco County Finance
Matthew Klebes, Wasco County, Administrative Services Director
Mary Davis and Denise Dietrich-Bokum, Foundation Ex-Officios
Cal McDermid, Director
Julie Renyolds, guest

MATERIALS- (will be addressed per agenda, below)
MARCH MINUTES
FOUNDATION REPORT, PROPOSED PLAQUE PICTURES
PICTURE OF GUARDHOUSE BARS
FINANCIAL REPORT AND NOTES
MUSEUM DIRECTOR’S REPORT
PICTURE OF TREE STUMP

4.2021 Agenda
NEW BUSINESS:
- Financial reports- **attached** Mike M.
- Fort Dalles is open!
- Website updates - **share screen** suggestions welcome
- Foundation Monthly report **attached** - Denise and Mary
  - Proposed plaques **photo attached**
  - Window cleaning?
  - Sign at Quartermaster’s Foundation w/ Cultural Trust grant?
- Director’s Report - **attached** Cal & additions to the to-do list?
  - Stain for the concrete block wall
  - LED’s for hallway at AH between kitchen and sewing room
  - Cleaning up the granary
  - Chinking of the barn
  - Leaning ponderosa pine in alley?
  - Gardener’s cottage on hold for now
  - Flower beds
  - Report from radio show?
- Building and Grounds Report **attached** - Eric
  - Guardhouse bars **photo attached**
  - Tree removal, Eliz & Cal’s conversations w/ neighbors
  - New Wagon building
- Martin money earmark - everyone. Mike W. requested
- Continuation of on-line meetings vs. in person? Eliz.

OLD BUSINESS:
- Vote on March meeting minutes **(vote)**
- Julie Renyold’s Comissioner status & hopeful welcome!
- Update on projects:
  - Stump grinding? **Photo attached** Eliz. for Loyal. Pine & chestnut?
  - City and County influx to cover covid closure - Eliz & Mike M.
  - Wireless and cameras for the grounds - Eliz.
  - SVOG - Eliz. and Matthew
  - We’re going to miss you, Donna!
Fort Dalles Museum and Anderson Homestead Commission Meeting Minutes
4.13.2021
Via Go-To Meeting

Called to order: 6:07 pm

ROLL CALL: Elizabeth Wallis, President- Eric Gleason, Vice President – Daliea Thompson, Treasurer/Secretary (absent and excused) - Donna Lawrence (resigned 4/10/2021) - Mike Wacker - Loyal Quackenbush (absent and excused)

No quorum

Approval of Agenda- No vote due to lack of quorum

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC & COMMENTS Mike Middleton, Wasco County Finance Matthew Klebes, Wasco County, Mary Davis and Denise Dietrich-Bokum, Foundation Ex-Officios Cal McDermid, Director, Julie Reynolds

TREASURER'S REPORT: Provided by Mike Middleton. Revenues being hammered by Covid. Expenses being executed within expectations, the exception being Buildings and Grounds Maintenance, due to the wind damage of the January 2021 storm. Mike will be transferring money out of our Contingency budget to offset some of our lack of revenues.

MUSEUM DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Provided by Cal. Fort Dalles is open on Saturdays from 10-5 & by appt. We have been getting visitors, Cal is building out the volunteer roster. Cal and the volunteers are keeping guests distanced around the complex and reminding them to wear masks. There have not been any issues with compliance. Cal would appreciate more volunteers, which will dictate if we can add in additional open hours. Mary has been accessioning items at the AH manually, as Daliea has the laptop and the wireless is limited.

Elizabeth Wallis reports on changes to the website, namely the addition of a “Media” tab which highlights other sites, stories where FDMAH is mentioned.

FOUNDATION REPORT: Provided by Denise. Fundraising has been going very well, over $12k raised for UV filters for the windows. Pursuing having the windows cleaned prior to installation of the filters. Depending on the cost of cleaning, there may be enough to put UV filters in the AH as well as the SQ. Matthew Kleebes asked Denise if the style of the signage is the same as other Historical Markers in the area and Denise confirmed. Matthew approved the signs per the design Denise provided. Regarding the plywood protectors for the jailhouse bars, Denise recommends marine plywood for weather durability. The plywood protectors and the Historical Marker signs will be paid for with a grant that the Foundation was awarded. The Foundation will not be taking the
lead in pursuing the SVOG but will assist as requested. Denise and Cal were on the Al Wynn radio show. No progress on the Design Charette. Has been renamed the Wagon Building Stakeout. There will need to be an archeological dig before moving forward on expanding the Wagon Building.

Elizabeth and Cal ask Denise if there was enough money in the Cultural Trust grant to put in a plaque at the Quartermaster’s Foundation. Denise responded that addition would change the scope of work of the grant and does not feel it is appropriate to change the scope. Discussion tabled for now.

Mike Middleton has been walking to the Museum on Wednesdays to connect with Cal for handoff of bills and other receipts.

Elizabeth and Cal created a small to-do list during a walk through in late March. Elizabeth agrees to obtain a new bid for spraying the concrete wall in front of AH. Cal is asked to buy a LED light fixture for the AH hallway and arrange to have it installed by Tanner. Mary is asked about a leaning ponderosa pine in the alley, believing it to be city property. Elizabeth asks Cal to contact the city to determine if the tree is an issue. Mary is also concerned about a tree to the direct East of the AH. Mike Wacker and Julie will take a look at the flower beds to see what needs to be planted. Eric has been having difficulty sourcing rope for the chinking of the barn. Mike W mentions there are a few spots at the AH that need chinking as well. Denise mentions that the floor in the AH between the kitchen and the sewing room feels spongy, Elizabeth doesn’t feel that it is an immediate concern, Eric offered to see if it was something that could be supported, perhaps from the underside. Granary project to be put on hold for the time being.

Building and Grounds report: Eric submitted a report. Canoe log was moved to the Discovery Center to much acclaim and at no cost to FDMAH. Conversation about alternative material choices for the jailhouse bar signs. Moving forward with plywood as initially suggested.

Elizabeth spoke to contact Mary Lee Hattenhauer, who owns property across the street from the SQ and had expressed concerns about the ponderosas which have now been removed. M Hattenhauer offered to make a donation to the FDMAH to help offset the cost of the tree removal and appreciated the Commission’s communication and care for the grounds. Elizabeth will follow up with M Hattenhauer.

Conversation about the stumps that need to be ground at the corner of 15th and Garrison. Some people had suggested leaving one of the stumps as a sitting area. This was discussed and decided against. Josh will return to grind the stumps and be asked to be careful around the freshly planted grass.

Regarding the new Wagon building- Elizabeth mentioned that she was aware that the Foundation was pursuing the purchase of neighboring property. The Foundation did not have an update. Eric is under the impression that the Martin money could be used to
pay for a new wagon building.

Mike Wacker had asked for clarification about the structure of the Martin donation to be added to the agenda. Daliea is not in attendance for this meeting, so Elizabeth expresses concern that we could get clarity without her perspective. Eric clarifies that the Martin donation was intended for ongoing repairs at the Anderson House and a wagon building. Mike W. is concerned that the money has not been spent over a long period of time. Eric says that some of the money has been spent on AH repairs but the amount set aside for the wagon building has not been accessed, and that it is seed money for the wagon building. Mary suggests that it was difficult to ask for the additional money needed for a new building when so much of the grounds were suffering from deferred maintenance. Mary also mentions that with the newly removed trees, there are other options for expanding the wagon and vehicle buildings.

Elizabeth asks the group if they wish to continue on-line meetings. Eric reminds us that in the past the Commission has met at the grounds during warmer months. Most of the group prefers to continue on-line. Elizabeth brings up that she met with the County IT Director Andrew to discuss the need for enhanced wireless and security cameras throughout the complex, which would impact our ability to have meetings on-site.

No vote was taken on March minutes, lacking a quorum. Julie’s appointment to be voted on at the next City Council meeting. Elizabeth updates on the SVOG and does not believe that FDMAH qualifies.

A card and flowers were delivered to Donna Lawrence thanking her for her service. Elizabeth and Donna sent flowers to Daliea for the loss of her father.

Eric requested a letter of thanks to the PUD for moving the log. Mary says that she provided free admission to the workers on site the day of the move. Cal was asked to send a thank you letter to the PUD and especially Ed Ortega as lead.

Mike W. and Julie would prefer to have a Commission discussion about historic plants before moving forward with replanting the flowerbeds.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29.
FORT DALLES MUSEUM/ANDERSON HOMESTEAD  
March 2021 DIRECTOR’S REPORT  
For April 13, 2021, Museum Commission Meeting

A report taken from the daily logs for the month of March 2021:

Admissions collected in March 0  
Cruise Ship admissions in March 0  
Friendship renewals for March 2021: $160.00  
Donation $ 105.00  
Total Volunteer Hours for March: 85.75

Verification and recording of collection items in the Anderson House continues, but is approaching completion. Many items including much of the furniture had never been accessioned and that has been addressed. A determination was made if items should be entered into the collection or designated as a prop.

I walked through the entire complex with Commission President Elizabeth Wallis. The grounds are coming back after January’s tree event.

I have been in contact with almost all the volunteers and many of them are anxious for the Museum to open. Several volunteers are planning to help with last minute cleaning before opening.

A very short report for March but wait until April. Lots have things have been addressed in the first two weeks.

Respectfully Submitted
FDMAH Monthly Report
March 2021

**Fundraising**
Contributions continue to dribble in for the $115 Campaign, totaling $12,112.50. We have already begun work on this project. Eric Gleason measured the windows for the inserts using a laser measuring tool that we leased from Indow (rental fee will be deducted from final invoice).

**Financial/Grants**
The Wasco County Cultural Trust Coalition (WCCT) Grant was awarded for the full amount requested, $1330.00. Funds were received with few requirements and restrictions. If we do not use all the funds, we must return the unused portion, so any who will be working or procuring materials for this grant must submit all invoices and receipts to prove we have used the funds. We also quoted volunteer labor hours, so any time spent on activities for this grant should also be submitted to Denise. A final accounting is required within 30 days after completion. The only other requirement is that we must include the following statement “supported by a grant from the Wasco County Cultural Trust Coalition with funds from the Oregon Cultural Trust to support Oregon’s arts, heritage, and the humanities” in all media announcements, marketing materials and information campaigns. Please see the attachment for a preliminary design layout for the historical plaques.

Refer to 2nd photo for mockup for mounting of interpretive signs. We need to procure, cut, stain or paint and mount the plywood as soon as possible for these signs. As the Guardhouse Bars stand, they are a trip and head banging safety hazard. In the budget for the grant, we quoted marine plywood, which is heavy, but also will better withstand the elements than regular outside plywood.

Foundation is not taking the lead on the Shuttered Events Fund thru the SBA but will provide support during the application process as directed/requested.

**Volunteer**
Volunteer Hours (Museum support) for March were 80, est value (80 x $20) $1,600.

**PR/Marketing/Promotion**
Denise Bokum and Donna Lawrence appeared on the KODL Coffeebreak in March 2021. Cal McDermid and Denise Bokum will appear on April's program. Be careful when having conversations during commercials. Al does not always turn off the guests' mikes & people who listen to the live feed with a scanner can hear the conversations.

Still "in the works" is an update to CCC (Columbia Community Connections) for an update to the museum repairs.
Design Charrette
Renamed New Vehicle Stakeout for now. Right now, working under the assumptions that we will not be able to purchase the property adjacent to the lot where vehicle shed is. Randy Kaatz, Dennis Davis & Loyal Quackenbush have been working to review the space and preliminary measurements to determine obstacles and feasibility of construction of a 40’ x 60’ enclosed building located where the current 3-sided shed stands. Today, Apr 9, a group of four plan to take plot and elevation measurements. They will use a laser to get accurate on-site measurements, which allow us to create the basis for site development and the design charrette meeting.

Other
We have not had any or enough PayPal donations to determine if the changes to the functionality are working or improved the reporting. The next Foundation meeting is Mon, May 17.

Submitted,
Denise Dietrich-Bokum
Mary Davis

04/09/2021
Financial Notes for Museum – March 2021

- 9th month of the fiscal year = 75.0% complete for straight-line analysis

Revenues

- Due to COVID – revenues are down considerably
  - $1,668 in admissions compared to $24,544 last year at this time
  - No change from December
- Memberships are down significantly
  - Due to COVID and staffing issues this is executing at 28.7% instead of the 82.1% from last fiscal year
  - $5,265 down compared to last fiscal year at this time
  - In March, the gap increased by $1,485
- Wasco County transfer-in has been completely transferred in
- The Dalles Support is right on the straight-line budget plan
- Interest for March has been allocated
  - Interest is down significantly – LGIP dropped to 0.60% in January; last year at this time it was 2.75%
- Reserved Martin Donation has been reviewed, decreased as some spent last fiscal year but interest factored in to result in a net annual decrease of $1,670
  - Reported on originally for the October statements
- Total revenue (resources) down $23,593 from last year at this time
  - Includes the beginning fund balances – if removed from consideration revenues are down $35,401

Expense

- Personnel is executing at 71.2%, which is within the straight-line budget expectation
  - All Personnel has been posted for March
- Building Repair & Maintenance is $14,066 compared to $6,551 last year at this time
  - This is due to the wind damage repair work in March $2,500
- Contract Services has executed at 161.8% already - $16,185
  - $6,600 crane rental for tree work
- Advertising is 91.9% - $4,597; based on last year’s costs – this is $1,024 better than last year
  - $1,639 was paid in March to Certified Folder Display
- Grounds Maintenance – only $3,195 to date compared to $5,588 last fiscal year
  - $350 per month, it this holds this will total to $4,200 by June 2021; big improvement over last year
  - Side note – the savings here could be considered to make up for the spending on Immense Imagery showing in the Contracted Services
- All other expenses are within the budget expectations
Total M&S expense is $44,667 – or 91.8% of appropriation for M&S

Summary

The overall appropriation is at 82.2%, in FY20 for April – June expenses were $21,320 while FY19 has $27,882 for the same period. The budget has $16,187 in available appropriation. This means the Museum is on track to need to utilize between $5K and $11K in general Contingency. FY19 had some inflated costs, and FY20 had the COVID shutdown. This means the need is probably somewhere in the center. A budget change for $8,000 is recommended. The Contingency has $196K available – with $143K of that meant for Martin Donation purposes. This means there is $53K available of general Contingency. $8K is within the 10% so the Budget Change process is simplified although it still requires the Board of County Commissioners to approve a resolution.

While I strive to keep the minutia of budget maintenance out of the way of the Museum Commission, it is needed to discuss the budget change before moving forward on it.

Another point on budgeting – the Budget Expansion for the $12,500 in FY22 was recommended by the Management Team and will be going to the Budget Committee with that recommendation. For context, it was not even slightly controversial. I expect this to be the same at the Budget Committee.
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### Expense

<p>| MUSEUM ADMINISTRATION-E                      |                |                   |                       |                              |                            |                        |
| <strong>MUSEUM OPERATING EXPENDITURES-E</strong>          | 42,392         | 30,170            | 28,200                | 71.2%                        | 65.9%                      | 7.0%                   | 1,969.75                 |
| <strong>PERSONAL SERVICES-E</strong>                     | 5,000          | 4,597             | 5,620                 | 91.9%                        | 112.4%                     | -18.2%                 | (1,023.54)               |
| <strong>MATERIALS &amp; SERVICES-E</strong>                  | 8,000          | 14,066            | 6,551                 | 175.8%                       | 109.2%                     | 114.7%                 | 7,514.74                 |
| <strong>ADVERTISING &amp; PROMOTIONS</strong>                | -              | -                 | 659                   | #DIV/0!                      | #DIV/0!                     | -100.0%                | (658.55)                 |
| <strong>BLDG REPAIR &amp; MAINT</strong>                     | 10,000         | 16,185            | 1,300                 | 161.8%                       | 6.6%                       | 1145.0%                | 14,884.99                |
| <strong>CONTRACTED SERVICES</strong>                     | 1,032          | 727               | 725                   | 70.4%                        | 144.9%                     | 0.3%                   | 2.52                     |
| <strong>COPIER - LEASE &amp; MAINTENANCE</strong>            | -              | -                 | #DIV/0!               | 0.0%                         | #DIV/0!                    | -                      |                          |
| <strong>DUES &amp; SUBSCRIPTIONS</strong>                    | 500            | 206               | -                     | 41.2%                        | 0.0%                       | 0.0%                   | 205.97                   |
| <strong>EQUIPMENT - REPAIR &amp; MAINTENANCE</strong>        | 7,500          | 3,195             | 5,588                 | 42.6%                        | 74.5%                      | -42.8%                 | (2,392.67)               |
| <strong>MAINTENANCE - GROUNDS</strong>                   | 1,500          | (5)               | 2,505                 | -0.3%                        | 167.0%                     | -100.2%                | (2,510.66)               |
| <strong>MUSEUM EXPENSES</strong>                         | 500            | 110               | 385                   | 22.0%                        | 77.0%                      | -71.4%                 | (275.00)                 |
| <strong>POSTAGE</strong>                                 | 2,000          | 300               | 1,172                 | 15.0%                        | 58.6%                      | -74.4%                 | (872.42)                 |
| <strong>SUPPLIES - FOREST SERVICE</strong>               | 1,250          | 905               | 877                   | 72.4%                        | 70.1%                      | 3.2%                   | 28.36                    |
| <strong>TELEPHONE</strong>                               | 500            | -                 | 919                   | 0.0%                         | 183.8%                     | -100.0%                | (919.07)                 |
| <strong>UTILITIES</strong>                               | 10,000         | 3,896             | 4,671                 | 39.0%                        | 46.7%                      | -16.6%                 | (775.48)                 |
| <strong>OUTSIDE PLANT MAINTENANCE</strong>               | 250            | 486               | (40)                  | 194.3%                       | -8.0%                      | -1314.6%               | 525.85                   |
| <strong>SPECIAL EVENTS</strong>                          | -              | -                 | 919                   | 0.0%                         | 183.8%                     | -100.0%                | (919.07)                 |</p>
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Work has continued on the grounds and the buildings now that spring is here! I have been pretty busy on a couple of out of town jobs, by Loyal has been hard at work on the grounds. He has repaired the landscaping where it was damaged by the falling tree and the other tree removals, and has navigated through the removal of the remaining hazardous trees. He also has the irrigation system working again after fixing numerous breaks…somehow those tree branches managed to poke into the ground right where the pipes were!

My hope is that by the time you all read this the log will have been taken to the Discovery Center for canoe carving. After a few weeks of false starts, the PUD has said that they can load the log and move it to the Discovery Center for us. Jefferson Greene, from Columbia River Institute for Indigenous Development (CRIID) Foundation, is excited to start on the carving as part of their mission to preserve and revitalize native cultural traditions. This is a really important and exciting initiative, and it is great that the Ft Dalles Museum can help through the donation of the log. It also will help strengthen our connections with the Discovery Center and the Tribes as we go through the NAGPRA process with the Winquatt collection.

The windows in the Surgeon’s Quarters and the Anderson house have been measured for new interior UV blocking windows, which should also help with our heating and cooling expenses. The windows press fit into the openings so the measurements have to be accurate, within a 1/16 of an inch. The company sends out a special laser measuring kit on deposit, which works pretty well. The figures are then entered into their own web form that double checks for any irregularities. The front parlor windows are tall and narrow and we had to fabricate a special tool to get accurate measurements of the diagonals of those windows. All the measurements are now in with Indow, and we are awaiting a final invoice before the Foundation sends in the check for payment. We should get the invoice next week, and windows within a month or so.

Yesterday I wired up some temporary wooden guards on the projecting arms of the Guardhouse bars. When I get home this next weekend, I will start on the construction of the interpretive sign mounts that will take their place.

Work on the Gardener’s Cottage has taken a back seat to all of these other projects, but will resume as soon as time allows.

Hopefully we can move forward on the placement and design of a wagon display building soon. I know there are a number of hurdles that we will have to leap before we can start on the construction, but we need to start the process soon if we want to have something started in the fall. The design will have to go through Landmarks Commission review, and, as the museum grounds are a recorded archaeological site, we will have to do archaeological testing prior to any ground disturbance. The testing requires a permit from the State, which includes consultation with the Tribes. As such, it can take awhile to get a permit, do the testing, submit a report, and get approval for the next stage in the process, mitigation of damage, if it is required. We are working on initiating the permit process, but will need a pretty good idea on where the building will be sited before the permit can be finalized.
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