ADA COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COUNCIL

200 W. Front Street Boise, Idaho 83702 P. (208) 287-7900 F. (208) 287-7909 Rob Fraser, Chair Frank Eld Angie Steele Carolina Valderrama Echavarria Bob Reinhardt, Vice-Chair Joseph Gallagher Larry Sundell , Secretary Jay Karamales



The purpose of the Ada County Historic Preservation Council is to promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the public of Ada County through the identification, evaluation, designation, and protection of those buildings, sites, areas, structures, and objects which reflect significant elements of the county's, the state's and the nation's historic, architectural, archaeological, and cultural heritage.

MINUTES FOR APRIL 4, 2023, 12:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON MEETING

The meeting will be conducted both in person and via WebEx Video Conference. If you would like to participate by phone or video, please contact Brent Danielson. He can be reached at bdanielson@adacounty.id.gov or (208) 287-7913. Ada County Courthouse 2nd floor, Development Services Conference Room, 200 W. Front Street, Boise, Idaho 83702

I. CALL TO ORDER 12:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Me	Members					Staff & Others	
Χ	Rob Fraser	Χ	Bob Reinhardt			Х	Brent Danielson, Staff
Χ	Frank Eld	Χ	Joseph Gallagher	Χ	Jay Karamales	Χ	Brianna Bustos, Staff
X	Angie Steele	Х	Larry Sundell		Carolina Valderrama Echavarria		Blaine Johnston, Meridian HPC

III. AGENDA ADDITIONS / CHANGES

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March Minutes

The minutes were approved. Frank motioned to approve the minutes and Bob seconded the motion.

V. ACTION / INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. New Council Members Update – Brent

Brent reported that the Board of Ada County Commissioners at their meeting this morning approved the appointment of Larry Sundell and Carolina Valderrama Echavarria to the Council at their Open Business Meeting this morning.

Brent also mentioned that Commissioner Dayley should be interviewing more candidates for the remaining two (2) openings on the Council.

Joe asked the process of how the candidates are selected to be interviewed by the BOCC.

Brent replied that the applications are submitted to the BOCC office staff and then the BOCC decides who to interview.

Joe indicated that he would like the HPC to be more involved in who is selected to an interview with the BOCC to sit on the HPC.

Bob mentioned it is the prerogative of the BOCC to determine who they will interview and eventually appoint to the HPC.

Joe asked if we could take a look at the by-laws next meeting.

Rob had Larry introduce himself. Larry stated that he is a semi-retired architect. He was instrumental in designing the Ronald McDonald House, 8th Street Marketplace, the Key Bank Building.

Everyone else went around the room and gave a brief introduction of themselves to Larry.

B. CLG Grant Update – Brent

Brent stated that he had heard back from Maria Rachal at SHPO and she notified us that we will receive a CLG Grant in the amount of \$10,000 for the update of the Historic Preservation Plan update. The grant agreement will be submitted in the next couple of months.

C. About the Council Web Page – Brianna

Brianna shared the first video of the National Register of Historic Places outreach.

Brianna discussed making the About the Council section of the webpage more uniform. One way to do this is to have uniform pictures of everyone or just to have names listed if we the HPC is uncomfortable having their pictures on the webpage. Brianna showed a picture of Development Services staff on the Development Services webpage.

Angie stated that she is uncomfortable with having her photo displayed on the website.

Bob replied that he is okay with just names.

Brianna mentioned with the names we can have a two-sentence biography and maybe include your favorite historic building in Ada County.

D. Eggers Barn Update - Council

Brent said this was to follow up on the HPC's discussion from last meeting. He mentioned at the last meeting the HPC wanted to do an exploratory meeting with the Meridian HPC to see if there was any information that they could share with us.

Frank stated that he had asked Blaine about the status as Preservation Idaho had an inquiry from someone in New Plymouth who is looking for a barn. Frank gave them the contact information.

Frank also mentioned that it doesn't look good in being able to move the silos as the bricks are mortared together.

Rob asked if Blaine was invited, and Brent responded yes.

E. Project #202300506 PBA-V – Council

Brent mentioned that the HPC was transmitted an application for a variance and property boundary adjustment.

Brent explained that the applicant wants to adjust the property boundaries between a 49.17-acre parcel and a 10.19-acre parcel resulting int a 56.90 acre parcel and a 1.35 acre parcel around the residence and outbuildings. The variance is for parcel size so that the resultant parcel 'B' can be less than the allowed 5.0-acre minimum parcel size in the RUT District. The applicant's detailed letter stated that the property is identified in Ada County Historic Resources Inventory (Historic Site #292). In researching the property, Brent stated that the 1999 Ada County Historic Sites Inventory listed the site as contributing with the description that the site was for a single level, front-gabled house with exposed rafters built in 1920. Unfortunately, the current property owners tore down the historic house in 2013 and replaced it with a new house. In looking at Google Street View Images from 2019 it appeared to Brent that there is one (1) older outbuilding on the property and rest of the structures on the property appear to be of a newer vintage.

Brent asked the HPC if they want to provide comments to the Board of Ada County Commission on the application.

There was discussion amongst the Commission that the only old possibly historic structure was the white outbuilding next to the road.

Frank asked for some clarification on the purpose of the application.

Brent replied that one of the arguments that applicant is making for the variance in parcel size is because the property is listed in the Ada County Historic Resources Inventory. Frank pointed that the structure referenced in the Ada County Historic Resources Inventory is no longer standing as it was demolished and replaced with a new house.

The Council discussed and directed Brent to prepare a letter to the BOCC that the structure that had placed the property on the Ada County Historic Resources Inventory is no longer there and to remain neutral on a recommendation to the BOCC.

Rob expressed some concern that the online historic sites inventory database isn't always accurate as it shows sites that are no longer there.

Frank suggested adding another field to the database to stated if the historic structure is still standing.

F. Follow-up Organizational and Strategic Vision for the Ada County Historic Preservation Council Discussion – Council

Bob presented a flow chart that he had created of how to handle potentially threatened historic structures. He the example of the property associated with Project #202300506 PBA-V by going through the various steps of the flow chart.

Bob made the suggestion for the next meeting to discuss other actions that we are already taking and having a conversation about determining if something is historic and what criteria would be used in that determination.

For the next meeting Angie, Frank, and Jay will prepare a proposal to determine what is historic.

G. Mason Temple – Frank

At the last meeting Angie had mentioned that Preservation Idaho is looking into interior alterations that were made to the Masonic Temple at 215 N. 10th Street.

Frank provided a picture of the former restored interior of the temple. He mentioned that the restoration took four (4) years.

- H. Outreach to other Historic Groups within Ada County Council *Did not discuss ran out of time.*
- I. Future Agenda Items Council

 Look at the By-Laws of the Council.

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS

April,	Guided Tour of the Erma Hayman House	1:00
2023	Every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday	PM –
		1:30
		PM
March 22	BSU Albertsons Library: Americans and the Holocaust Touring Exhibition	Library
- April 26,	Nationally touring exhibition from the United States Holocaust Memorial	Hours
2023	Museum.	
	BSU Albertsons Library	
April 8,	Boxing at the Pen	9:00
2023	History of Boxing at the Pen, including hands-on boxing training	AM –
	Old Idaho Penitentiary, \$12	

	https://store.history.idaho.gov/performance.aspx?pid=12484	12:00
		PM
April 8,	Family Second Saturday: Jazz Appreciation Month	12:00
2023	Listen to Gene Harris while you design a piece of artwork inspired by Jazz	PM –
	music and instruments.	3:00
	Idaho State Museum, \$10	PM
	https://store.history.idaho.gov/Tickets.aspx	
April 21,	Captivating Conversations: Bree Derrick, IDOC	6:00
2023	Hear from Bree Derrick, Deputy Director of the Idaho Department of	PM –
	Correction	8:00
	Old Idaho Penitentiary, Free – must pre-register	PM
	https://store.history.idaho.gov/performance.aspx?pid=12492	
April 22,	Seed Planting Workshop at the Schick-Ostolasa Farmstead	2:30
2023	Learn how to successfully grow flowers from seeds	PM
	Schick-Ostolasa Farmstead, \$15	
	https://www.drycreekhistory.org/copy-of-membership	
April 29,	Dry Creek Historical Society – Garden Tea Party	12:00
2023	Hidden Springs Community Barn, \$35	PM &
	https://www.drycreekhistory.org/copy-of-12pm-tea-party-registration	3:00
		P.M.

VII. ADJOURNMENT 1:07 PM

A. Next Scheduled Meeting: May 2, 2023