



**Keizer Points of Interest Committee (KPIC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.
Keizer Civic Center**

CALL TO ORDER ~ Chair Terri Hoag called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Attendance was taken as follows:

Present:

Terri Hoag, Chair
Jim Wood, Vice Chair
George Fitzgerald
Jill Bonney-Hill

Cathy Clark for Councilor Taylor

Absent:

Sherrie Gottfried
Mike Hickman
On Position Vacant
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison

Staff:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ Jim Thomas moved for approval of the July 2011 Minutes.
George Fitzgerald seconded. Motion passed as follows: Hoag and Bonney-Hill in favor,
with Wood and Fitzgerald abstaining, Hickman and Gottfried absent and one position
vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS – None

PROJECTS/REPORTS

Oral History – Chair Hoag explained that Randy Boeger, Chair of the K-23 Advisory Committee was in attendance in response to KPIC's request for assistance on the Oral History project. Mr. Boeger explained that K-23 had moved to allow up to \$5000 to help with editing of the various oral history interviews. Councilor Clark provided an explanation regarding the Public Education and Government (PEG) funds noting that currently Keizer uses the funds for equipment and contract payments to Rex Robertson. Currently Mr. Robertson's time is maxed out but staff will be asked to develop a cost analysis and plan to do this under the current agreement.

Mr. Boeger explained that K-23 felt that if people from KPIC did the shooting and interviewing and K-23 got expert editors, programming could be improved without excessive cost. He noted, however, that those shooting the film would need to be selective about their shots as the longer the film, and the more editing required, the greater the cost would be. It was noted that Sherrie Gottfried had indicated an interest in learning the filming. Mr. Boeger responded that he and Charles Lewis were willing to train volunteers to do the production.

Mr. Boeger questioned if the interviews would always be done at the Council Chambers or if they could be filmed elsewhere. Jill Bonney-Hill responded that it depended on the

person being interviewed, but that the committee would like to go to people's homes for interviews in some instances.

Responding to Mr. Boeger's inquiry regarding equipment owned by KPIC members, Ms. Bonney-Hill noted that she could scan photographs. Mr. Boeger suggested that any photos scanned be saved on a flash drive and given to the editors so that they could input them into the interview at the appropriate location. He added that he would look into a program to touch up photos because although it is easy to do, it takes time. He noted that perhaps someone from the committee or a volunteer could do this to save editing time and make the funds go further.

Further discussion took place regarding how many programs are planned and how long they would be. Committee members noted that they would continue with the programs until they ran out of interviewees and currently there are about 40 on the list. Some interviews might be shorter and combined, while others might overlap onto several programs.

Mr. Boeger suggested that volunteers be recruited to interview and film to add variety rather than having Jason Cox as the only interviewer. He suggested a person who does similar programming for Salem's channel noting that there might be others at CCTV, both staff and volunteers, who might be willing to help with this project. Chair Hoag confirmed that KPIC should pursue getting volunteers for training adding that perhaps Jason Cox could assist with that.

Jill Bonney-Hill then reviewed the cover letter she had written to be sent out to potential interviewees. Committee members approved the letter by unanimous consent and urged her to move forward with sending it out to the people for which she had addresses. Ms. Bonney-Hill added that Jerry McGee had volunteered to be the next interviewee and that she had received names of potential volunteer fire department interviewees. It was suggested that perhaps a group interview could be done.

Jim Wood volunteered to do a reverse search on the names with phone numbers to get addresses and Terri Hoag volunteered to get addresses of interviewees that had been suggested by Evelyn Franz. Jill Bonney-Hill volunteered to contact Jason Cox to recruit interviewers and volunteers to do the filming and pre-production planning.

Wallace House Anniversary Celebration – Councilor Clark reported that the committee is working with the Making Keizer Better Foundation and that the Wallace House committee will be doing a full calendar of events which will be locked down at the next meeting. For RiverFair they want to determine what activities to add at Keizer Rapids Park and at the Wallace House. Consideration is being given to displays, weavers, Native Americans, 5k run, a pet parade with historical costumes, Oregon history disc golf and a "paddle"; however the marina will be under construction at that time so the "paddle" might not be an option. Also, the Native Americans may not be available because the RiverFair date conflicts with a big Powwow. The committee intends to ask the City for sponsorship as their contribution. KPIC members will be included in the distribution of meeting notes.

Keizer Trees of History – Chair Hoag reported that Dr. Blum has now found 600 trees that are of some kind of interest. She explained that only 20-25 will go in the brochure but perhaps the rest can be placed on a CD and kept in the museum and posted on the

website. She indicated that Dr. Blum felt it would be a couple of months before he is finished and she would keep the committee posted. She is still working on finding someone who could determine the age of the apple trees thought to be part of the original Thomas Dove Keizer orchard.

Charles McNary – Jim Wood reported that he had delivered the sign to the golf course and they are going to erect it when staff time allows. He showed the sign to Lyndon Zaitz at Keizer Times and he is going to do an article about it; the golf course will call Lyndon when they erect the sign. Mr. Wood added that the sign might be placed by the bridge at an angle so that both walkers and drivers could see it. This location is across the street from where the original log cabin was. It was suggested that a dedication be done following the installation and that surviving family members be invited.

Geocaching – No Report

Japanese Influence Recognition – No Report

Volunteer Fire Department – Members thanked Councilor Clark for her assistance.

Calvary Remount Station – *Tabled until January 2012.*

“Welcome to Keizer” River Sign: Wallace House Park – *Tabled until April 2012.*

NEW BUSINESS

Steamboat Research – George Fitzgerald reported that he was interviewed by the Statesman Journal regarding the steamboat project and it looks like a good project for the Points of Interest Committee to pursue.

KURB Report – Debbie Lockhart reported that KURB had voted not to fund either of two options for tourist facilities: one at Keizer Station and the other at the Transit District facility and that the Urban Renewal Agency had supported this by also denying funding.

November/December Meeting – Members agreed to combine the November/December meeting and meet on November 29 (one week later than normal).

Adjournment ~ Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Next Meeting: 5:30 p.m., October 25, 2011

Minutes approved: 10-25-11