



***Keizer Points of Interest Committee (KPIC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 5:30 p.m.
Keizer City Hall***

Call to Order ~ Chair Beilke called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance was taken as follows:

Present:

JoAnne Beilke, Chair
Bob Stai
Terri Hoag
Joan Pauley
Barbara Clement

Absent:

Ken Whittler, Vice Chair
Jim Taylor
One Position Vacant

Approval of Minutes ~ Barbara Clement moved for approval of the August 2008 Minutes. Joan Pauley seconded. Motion passed as follows: Stai, Hoag, Pauley and Clement in favor, Beilke abstaining, Whittler absent and one position vacant.

Appearance of Interested Citizens: Vickie Hilgemann, Chair of the Parks Advisory Board, updated the committee on Wallace House Park. She reminded them that this park was formerly called River's Edge Park but was renamed in honor of the fact that the City has recognized the park as the probable site of the Wallace house. She noted that efforts had been made to retain Dr. Brauner to do a dig but without adequate funding he could not be persuaded to come. Ms. Hilgemann then referred to the Wallace House Park pages in the Parks Master Plan and reviewed proposed improvements adding that a \$750 grant has been received from the Salem Foundation and application has been made to the Meyer Foundation for a \$1250 grant. If all funds are received, the Parks Foundation will use the money to purchase signage to promote the historical significance of the park. She noted that park improvements are on hold pending receipt of a \$50,000 grant which the City has been awarded, but it is hoped that some land clearing can take place this fall. Ms. Hilgemann also explained that the Parks Advisory Board had met with park neighbors and reached an agreement whereby the park would be left in a relatively natural state. Improvements will include signage, a replica of a fort play structure for children and a post for the osprey nest.

Ms. Hilgemann then requested an update from the committee regarding the Charge plaque which the Parks Advisory Board had requested the committee to develop (6/2008) reminding them that the Board had requested it be submitted to them "within a month or two". She suggested that the Committee check with Marion County Historical Society and the Historical Society in Portland for additional information about the

property. She noted that the Parks Advisory Board is hoping that KPIC can develop enough historical verbiage to get the sign put together and then the Parks Board will look into building another kiosk and placing the historical information on one side and park information on the other. Chair Beilke volunteered to form a subcommittee made up of Vickie Hilgemann, Jim Taylor, Richard Walsh and Barbara Clement to develop the verbiage.

Approval of Geo-Caching Site Locations ~ Bob Stai referred to his handout from the last meeting and identified sites of geo-caches noting that he had gotten permission for a cache at Spong's Landing and at the 45th parallel monument. He noted that he planned on attending the next Parks Advisory Board meeting for approval as well. Discussion followed regarding locations, permissions, responsibility for the caches and partnerships. Chair Beilke volunteered to solicit permission from Schreiner's and from the Heritage Center for a cache and noted the Christine Dieker with the Chamber had indicated a willingness to handle the maintenance of the caches.

Barbara Clement moved to approve the proposed geo-cache sites as submitted by Bob Stai. Joan Pauley seconded. Motion passed as follows: Stai, Hoag, Pauley, Beilke and Clement in favor. Whittier absent and one position vacant.

Old Business/New Business ~ Committee Reports
Spongs Landing ~ No report.

Art Walk ~ Chair Beilke reported that three sites have been established with a fourth one being just recently decided upon; volunteers are doing the bases including the electrical and the art pieces have been selected. Additionally, a wall piece has been received from Lake Oswego and the Mayor is working on finding the appropriate wall in town to display it on. Art Gala invitations have been sent out. The committee is working on the children's aspect of this project and will be setting up school visits to the sculptures with the hope that when the children return they will make their own sculptures and these will be displayed at the Iris Festival.

Oral History ~ Chair Beilke explained that she had been unsuccessful in locating a camera and was told that this project would be too complicated for the committee to take on. She suggested that McNary High School students take this on as a project. It was noted that there was some urgency because of the age of some of the interviewees so Chair Beilke volunteered to talk to the McNary principal to get this project underway and to contact a friend, Jan Jackson, a writer for local newspapers to do the interview.

Wallace House ~ Previously addressed.

Marie Dorian ~ Barbara Clement reported that she had developed a design and was looking for someone to actually put it together. She is planning on discussing this with sign people in order to get a definite cost figure and approach the Indian School and Ms. Pigsley with a proposal and possible grant request.

Museum Partnership ~ Chair Beilke reported that the Heritage Board has indicated support for this concept but they are waiting to see what happens with the library group. Terri Hoag questioned how the partnership would be manned and supported. Chair Beilke responded that more planning was needed. She suggested developing a

volunteer campaign to promote interest. Ms. Hoag suggested working with Evelyn and Sue on that.

Geo-caching ~ Previously addressed.

Heritage Trees ~ Joan Pauley reported that Jerry McGee has found an old apple tree that could qualify as a heritage tree. He has indicated that he wishes to talk to the owner himself rather than someone from the committee. She is waiting to hear back from him. Terri Hoag indicated that she would like to assist in this effort and would check with Maynard Dawson to get permission to designate his tree as well.

Other Business ~ None

Adjournment ~ Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

***Next Meeting:** 5:30, October 21, 2008, City Hall*

Minutes approved:

10-21-08