



**Keizer Points of Interest Committee (KPIC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.
Keizer City Hall**

Call to Order ~ Chair Bob Stai called the meeting to order at 5:30.

Attendance was taken as follows:

Present:

Bob Stai, Chair
Barbara Clement
Terri Hoag
Lynn Toms
Sherrie Gottfried
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison

Absent:

Arlette Johnson, Vice Chair
John Blake

Staff:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Approval of Minutes ~ Barbara Clement moved for approval of the June 2009 Minutes. Terri Hoag seconded. Motion passed as follows: Stai, Hoag, Clement, Toms in favor with Gottfried abstaining, Johnson and Blake absent.

Appearance of Interested Citizens: None

Old Business/New Business ~ Committee Reports

- **Oral History** – Lynn Toms reported that she had spoken to Lloyd Wiegel and he has indicated a willingness to participate in the Oral History project. She concluded that she would be contacting him soon, would have him sign a release and would contact Dan Sprenkle regarding filming the interview. Chair Stai provided some guidance as to appropriate questions or areas of discussion such as what brought them to Keizer, changes they have seen, most significant changes and memories of their childhood. Ms. Toms replied that she would draft a guideline for committee review at the next meeting, setup interviews and move ahead. Committee members urged her to work with Arlette Johnson who had made some contacts at the nursing home.
- **Geo-caching** – Chair Stai reported that there had been rumors that the caches had been trashed, but further investigation indicated that it was just an extra layer of bark dust on the 45th parallel cache.
- **TD Keizer Statue** – Barbara Clement reported that the committee had not gone to Olympia as planned but the artist had brought for review the T.D. Keuzur and saddle portion of the statue along with photographs of the horse portion for approval. She added that the artist had indicated that the statue should be delivered on schedule.

- **Chemawa School** – Bob Stai reported that he had continued his efforts to meet with Mike Smith, the Principal at the school, but had still been unsuccessful. Sherrie Gottfried volunteered to assist. Lynn Toms volunteered to be part of this effort as well.
- **Charles McNary** – Jim Taylor reported that he had still not met with Jerry McGee. Committee discussed working with the golf course to have a plaque placed on the side of the clubhouse. Lynn Toms volunteered to make that contact.
- **Museum Partnership** – Terri Hoag reported that this project could be the formation of a partnership with the City so that even after the current Board retires, the museum can continue to operate. She added that she would talk to the museum people and ask them to talk with Mayor Christopher. Chair Stai urged Ms. Hoag to get some sort of definition of what the partnership would look like. Councilor Taylor noted that funding might be available in the next fiscal year and that perhaps a KPIC member and a museum member could address the budget committee when they meet for budget deliberations.
- **Sunset/River Road Indian Encampment** – Bob Stai reported that he had submitted a request with the Confederated Tribes for a consultant to determine the encampment location but has not yet received a response. He added that he felt it was important to work with either the Confederated Tribes or any tribe that would want to be part of the project so that the Point of Interest designation point is accurate.
- **Japanese Influence Recognition** – Chair Stai volunteered to work on this project. He noted that he had just finished reading "Stubborn Twig" which is about an Oregon Japanese family's experiences from immigration to today including internment. He noted that, although the book focus on the Hood River area, we know that there were Japanese in the Lake Labish area and it is a part of history that should be captured.
- **Volunteer Fire Department** – Lynn Toms reported that she had talked to Fire Chief Jeff Cowan and they have set up a telephone conference for September 29. Councilor Taylor urged Ms. Toms to contact Dave Bauer as well.
- **Spong's Landing** – Jim Taylor reported that he had forgotten to check on the status of the sign again but would ask a County Commissioner at the next breakfast.
- **Marie Dorian** – Barbara Clement reported that she had met with Chair Stai to discuss this project because they were discouraged with the delays encountered with the Grand Ronde. They decided to move the project into Keizer, perhaps at the Keizer Rapids Park, and to use signage recommended by Jeanne Bond-Esser with the Parks Foundation. She distributed examples of the signage noting that this signage could be part of an historical/educational theme for Keizer parks.

- **New Business –**

- Terri Hoag showed a brochure that had been worked up showing points of interest. She noted that official publication is awaiting a picture of the cemetery and that she would be working on that soon. Members supported this effort and urged that the brochures be made available at City Hall, Chamber of Commerce and Keizer Renaissance Inn.
- Lynn Toms showed an article that she had asked Keizer Times to print asking readers to submit pictures and information about their favorite point of interest in the city. When she gets responses, she will do some sort of montage with that information.

Adjournment ~ Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Next Meeting: 5:30p.m., October 27, 2009, Civic Center Room A

Minutes approved:

10-27-09