



**Keizer Points of Interest Committee (KPIC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.
Keizer City Hall**

Call to Order ~ Chair Bob Stai called the meeting to order at 5:34.

Attendance was taken as follows:

Present:

Bob Stai, Chair
Arlette Johnson, Vice Chair (5:39)
Barbara Clement
Terri Hoag
JoAnne Beilke
John Blake
Lynn Toms (Member Elect)

Absent:

One Position Vacant
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison

Staff:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Approval of Minutes ~ Barbara Clement moved for approval of the April 2009 Minutes. JoAnne Beilke seconded. Motion passed as follows: Stai, Hoag, Beilke and Clement in favor with Blake abstaining. Johnson absent at the time of vote and one position vacant.

Appearance of Interested Citizens: None

Marie Dorian Descendant, Kim Thomas addressed the committee explaining that she works in the Marion County Sheriff's Office and that Marie Dorian is her maternal great grandmother. She indicated that she didn't have much information but invited committee members to visit with her mother who could provide more information. Barbara Clement indicated that she would welcome input from the family regarding the memorial she is working on. She reported that she had made her request to the Grand Ronde tribe but made a mistake in noting that Marie Dorian was a member of the Iowa-Sue tribe. The Grand Ronde rejected her request for assistance on the grounds that they don't support anything other than Grand Ronde tribe projects. Ms. Clement indicated that she was not going to give up, but would continue to pursue funding options. JoAnne Beilke urged Ms. Clement to work with her and together they could approach Rick Day with Precast who might be interested in assisting with the base.

Geo-Cache Update by Geo-Cacher ~ Kristin Santose summarized the history of geo-caching noting that it began in Oregon and has spread world wide and is attracting a variety of age levels. She explained that there are a variety of caches: earth cache, physical cache and event cache to name a few. She then reviewed details of the Iris Festival Event which had 160 participants and explained changes that will be implemented for the next one. Ms. Beilke interjected that Dr. Sutter sponsored the coins this year and has agreed to do it

again next year. Chair Stai thanked Ms. Santos and the other volunteers for their work in this effort and presented Ms. Santos with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Old Business/New Business ~ Committee Reports

- **Oral History** – Arlette Johnson reported that she had been unable to set up mutually acceptable dates with Jason Heimerdinger for the interviews before the end of school. Ms. Lockhart informed Ms. Johnson that Daniel Sprengle of the K-23 Advisory Board had expressed interest in the project and volunteered to assist with the video taping. Arlette Johnson, John Blake and Lynn Toms agreed to work together to develop questions for the interview and to move forward with the interviews.
- **Heritage Trees** – Members agreed to table this project.
- **Geo-caching** – JoAnne Beilke reported that she had not yet submitted the nomination for the Volunteer of the Quarter.
- **TD Keizer Statue** – The May 29 trip to Olympia was postponed indefinitely. Arlette Johnson announced that she had been contacted by descendants of T.D. Keizer who wished to participate in the trip to Olympia to see the statue.
- **Chemawa School** – Bob Stai reported that he has attempted to make contact with the new principal, Mike Smith, but as yet he has been unavailable. He expressed a desire to invite Mr. Smith to a meeting and find out more about the history of Chemawa School.
- **Charles McNary** – Jim Taylor – absent.
- **Museum Partnership** – JoAnne Beilke reported that she has not yet met with the Mayor.
- **Chapin/Weeks Oral History** – John Blake reported that he had told Jack Chapin's granddaughter that he would like to set up an interview with Jack for the Oral History project. He shared some historical documents that he had borrowed from Brad Weeks. Copies of these have been made. The Weeks family also has a map of the river that shows the location of various buildings. Mr. Blake will bring that in for copying when he receives it. Chair Stai urged those working on the oral history project to stay committed to the project and complete the interviews noting that this is an important project and it would be a shame for the history to die before it was recorded.
- **Sunset/River Road Indian Encampment** – Bob Stai reported that he has done research and has not found anyone that can tell him anything about there being an Indian encampment at Sunset/River Road. He noted that he still has a few leads that he will be pursuing.
- **Japanese Influence Recognition** – Terri Hoag reported that a book by Lawson has information about families in the area who settled around Lake Labish. She noted, however, that most of the families were sent away during World War II, but there is some information in the book about their influence.
- **Volunteer Fire Department** – JoAnne Beilke reported that she had talked to them, but she doesn't know what the committee wants. Committee members suggested she talk with them to determine what sort of signage or memorial they would like the committee

to develop; perhaps indicating the history of the Volunteer department - when it was developed and when it evolved into the District.

- **Spong's Landing** – Jim Taylor absent.
- **Marie Dorian** – Reported earlier in meeting.
- **Other Business** –
 - Terri Hoag asked members to make copies of any correspondence regarding points of interest and give them to her for the notebook she was keeping.
 - Lynn Toms suggested that it might be beneficial to put out a request in the Keizer Times for readers to submit pictures and information about their favorite point of interest in the city and then do some sort of montage with that information.
 - JoAnne Beilke added that Lyndon Zaitz is coming up with a "What's New at Keizer" column to keep citizens informed. She suggested making the Points of Interest map more readily available to citizens as well.

Adjournment ~ Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: 5:30p.m., July 28, 2009, Civic Center Room A

Minutes approved:

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