

**Great Falls/Cascade County
Historic Preservation Advisory Commission**

**MINUTES from the
October 9, 2013 meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Milford, Sandi French, Ken Sievert, Carole Ann Clark, Kelly Parks, Kristi Scott, Carol Bronson, Ken Robison, Ryan Smith, ex-officio member Joan Redeen

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ryan Forde

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen Sievert

GUESTS PRESENT: Craftsman Bungalow Committee Chairperson Carol Bradley & Ida Meehan

HPAC Chair Bob Milford called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm. Kelly moved to approve minutes from the September 11 meeting, Carol Ann seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously with the following noted corrections: Carol Bronson was in fact present at the September meeting and there is a spelling correction in the first sentence of the HPO report. ("our" should read "out").

HPO REPORT: Ellen's work has focused on working with the organization that is behind the New Pantages Theatre. This mid-size performing arts centre has a website and plans are online at newpantages theatre.org. The Preservation Players have committed to performing at the Preservation Cascade meeting in January and new characters are being developed. A quarterly report for Montana Main Street program will need to be completed and collaboration with DDA and BID continues. The quarterly CLG report and request for reimbursement and a progress report for the Craftsman District project are due by the end of October.

CRAFTSMAN DISTRICT: Chair Carol Bradley reported that the district that will be studied for this project is being expanded to include both sides of the block and an additional block. A letter written to homeowners about the survey has been completed.

HISTORIC TROLLEY: October 12th through November 9th there will be Progressive Dinner/Art Tours with limited tickets available at Paris Gibson Square. There is a goal to do the dinners every month.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP: Joan Redeen reported that there would be a function on Oct 23rd from 4:30-6:30 pm at the Davidson Skywalk that is open to the public.

PRESERVATIONPLAYERS: The Players are considering developing some new characters, especially women. Ken R is developing Robert Vaughn's character and Kristi volunteered to work up some information on Rapael Schweda, an Ursuline Sister. A character for Mildred Walker is another potential.

MONARCH DEPOT: A fundraiser is planned for the depot in October. All are welcome.

SUN RIVER VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Ken Sievert reported that there was a greater degree of enthusiasm at the September meeting and that HPAC was well represented with Kristi Scott, Ken Robison, Bob Milford and himself present. Bob invited SRVHS members to attend the monthly HPAC meetings as they are public. There is a desire to look at the historic houses and structures in the Valley and a survey may be explored in the future.

OTHER: The design for the Christmas Ornament which features Paris Gibson Square was voted on and selected.

HPAC's next regular meeting is at noon November 12th in the Rainbow Room at the Civic Center.

Respectfully submitted by
Kristi Scott, HPAC secretary