



Courthouse Preservation Committee (CPC)

AGENDA

June 9, 2016
Courthouse Jury Room 114
120 NW 4th St.
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS AND VISITOR COMMENTS

II. AGENDA REVIEW

III. ADMINISTRATION

- Approval of April 2016 Minutes

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Follow-up on Action Items from April 2016
- Courthouse Seismic Evaluation & Community Feedback Update – Chris
- Update on Courthouse History Manuscript & Publication Costs – Judy
- Update on Courthouse Tours – Jill
- Other – Update on Roofing Shingles – Chris

V. NEW BUSINESS

- Update on Potential Preservation Projects – All
- Continued Discussions – Proposal: **“History of the Courthouse”** on the Courthouse Preservation Committee webpage (Videos, Book Tours, Ability to add Comments, etc.) – All, Jill, Chris & Guest: Grace McDonald, Benton County IT Director

VI. NEXT MEETING

- September 15, 2016

VII. ADJOURNMENT



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MINUTES

BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (CPC)

June 9, 2016
5:00 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.

Courthouse Jury Room 114
120 NW 4th St.
Corvallis, Oregon

Meeting Called to Order at 5:07 PM

Committee Members Present: Judy Juntunen and Scott McClure

Staff Members Present: Chris Bielenberg, Linda Hukari and Kris Pierce (Recorder)

Guest(s) Present: Grace McDonald, Benton County IT Director

I. INTRODUCTIONS AND VISITOR COMMENTS

Visitor Grace McDonald, Benton County IT Director was introduced to the Committee.

II. AGENDA REVIEW

There were no revisions to the Agenda noted.

III. ADMINISTRATION

- Approval of April 2016 Minutes – There was not a quorum and the Approval of the April 2016 Meeting Minutes will be moved to the September 2016 Meeting.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Follow-up on Action Items from April 2016 – The Committee moved this action item to the September 2016 meeting.

ACTION: The Committee moved this the action item to the September 2016 Meeting.

- Courthouse Seismic Evaluation & Community Feedback Update – Chris said that the County has commissioned a Seismic Report with respect to the Courthouse complex and the seismic upgrade. He explained that since the last meeting there have been several discussions about the funding of the project, replacement costs of the Courthouse including employee relocation costs. The County has requested more information on these matters. He said that there will be an addendum to the original commissioned contract with regards to two additional questions. Those questions will be if in a major seismic event, what the costs be to save the building as well as potential costs to reoccupy the building after such an event noting that there is no guarantee that the whole building would withstand a moderate to major seismic event; and second if the County were to choose not to reoccupy the building after such an event, the cost of a new building. Chris said that he will continue to update the Committee as information becomes available.

ACTION: Chris will update the Committee as the Seismic Evaluation information becomes available.

- Update on Courthouse History Manuscript & Publication Costs – Judy reported that she will continue to work on editing the existing manuscript through the summer months and update the Committee at the September 2016 meeting.

ACTION: Judy will continue to edit the existing manuscript and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

- Update on Courthouse Tours – Jill was not in attendance so this item will be moved to the September 2016 meeting.

ACTION: This item will be moved to the September 2016.

- Other – Update on Roofing Shingles – It was reported that the County is in line to receive funding for the roofing shingles as they have requested funding from the State Legislature. Chris reported that the funding requests that were presented to the State Legislature were set to be approved. He said the roof repairs were second on the list of ten; and the boiler request was seventh on the list of ten. Adding that they anticipate the funding to be approved and anticipate receiving it in approximately February or April 2017. At that time the County will come back to the Committee to purchase all of the shingles that would be needed to roof the tower from the Courthouse Preservation Fund and put them into storage until they can be used on the project.

ACTION: Chris will continue to update the Committee on the two grants and peruse purchasing the roofing shingles. He will update the Committee at the next meeting.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- Update on Potential Preservation Projects – There wasn't anything to report to the Committee at this time. This item will be revisited at a future meeting.
- Continuing Discussions on “History of the Courthouse” on the Courthouse Preservation Webpage (Videos, Book tours, Ability to add comments, etc.) – The Committee welcomed Grace McDonald and gave a synopsis of what the Committee intended the Courthouse Preservation Webpage to include in the future and current. The Committee said that they would like for the webpage to be used as an online vehicle for citizens and/or groups to be able to book tours, initiate registrations systems for the Courthouse, and possibly a place for citizens to leave comments. They also discussed the possibility of taking donations for the Courthouse Preservation Fund. Staff also asked if it were possible to set parameters for the tour portion of the webpage to send an email to the Committee Members that someone or a group intended to book a tour. Grace explained to the Committee that the County Website and more particular the Courthouse Preservation Webpage could be configured to the Committee's needs but will have some limits to its capabilities, more specifically the proposed comments would be better served as a Facebook page link since the administrator of the Facebook page would have control

over comments that were posted rather than giving the person who wishes to comment access to the County website. She also mentioned that the website is unable to take payments at this time and therefore the Committee would need to look into other options for a Preservation Donation Fund option at this time. Grace said that the new website has many capabilities and the IT Department are still working on its full capabilities and would be very happy to work with Staff and the Committee on the current webpage. Chris asked that Jill work with Grace McDonald on the tour section of the webpage.

ACTION: This item will be moved to the September 2016 meeting and Jill will continue to work with staff on getting the Courthouse tours on the County's webpage, track Courthouse tours and will update the Committee at future meetings.

- Water Color Painting Donation by Pat Raferty – Linda said that there had been a donation of a water color painting of the Courthouse donated by Pat Raferty. The watercolor is from Artist Eve Pyfer 1906-1993. She asked that we would purchase a plaque for the painting identifying the donor and artist. Judy said she would also take the painting in to make sure that the painting is fitted with museum glass and also checked for acid. Judy will follow-up with the Court once the painting is ready to be hung.

VI. NEXT MEETING

- September 15, 2016

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM