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Harrington Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes of January 26, 2019

Post and Office 9 AM

Members: Karen Allen, Aileen Sweet, Anita Harman, Heather Slack

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM

Attendance:

Commission members present: Karen Allen, Heather Slack, Aileen Sweet, Anita Harman

Visitors: Leslie LePere, Nathan Luck, Jerry Allen, John Rankin, Dianne Sanchez, Geoffrey Talkington

2. The minutes of the December 7, 2018 meeting were read. Anita moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Aileen seconded the motion, the motion carried.

3. Additions:

John Rankin, Flying Arts Ranch, Ritzville, WA, talked about his history and experience working with Ritzville's Main Street. He made several points about how he approaches preservation:

- He works with motivated building owners
- Waits until a building transitions to someone who IS doing something
- Recommends development sign code for city
- Recommends adopting historic color palette for building owners to access
- Rehabilitated the theater in Ritzville
- Discussed assessed value of the downtown buildings
- Lobbied for hwy 10 to get more traffic
- Ritzville has Hotel/Motel tax money to use yearly
- Give downtown the feel of 100 years ago
- Shared ideas, hosting a "Possibilities Tour" for Alumni, create a list of potential properties (an inventory of what is available)
- Ritzville has sign permits (under 32 sf - \$20, over 32 sf \$50)

4. Unfinished Business:

5. New Business:

a. Elections for 2019 - tabled for an additional meeting next week

b. Project proposals for HHPC 2019 - tabled for an additional meeting next week

6. Other business:

7. Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned at 10:56 AM

It was decided that we would meet again on February 2, 2019 at 9am at the Post and Office to finish our agenda.