

## **MINUTES**

### **Cheney Historic Preservation Commission**

**May 4, 2006**

**Commissioners Attending:** Bettye Hull, Martin Seedorf, Fred Lauritsen, Aimee Flinn and Chris Stewart.

**Commissioners Absent:** Steve Emerson and Nikki Gamon.

**Staff Attending:** Glenn Scholten and Susan Beeman.

**Councilpersons Attending:** None.

**Call to Order:** Chairman Hull called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Stewart asked that the spelling of Grace Okerstrom and Dr. Durrie's names be corrected. Also, on page 3, Chairman Hull is working with houses constructed between 1900-1909. Motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Lauritsen, to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2006 Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citizen Participation:** None.

**Old Business: Moorman House Update.** Ms. Beeman gave an update on the Moorman House. Staff met recently with the Council General Government Committee recently, and also with representatives of the Tilicum Museum Board. The General Government Committee asked for a more detailed plan that addresses how the ongoing maintenance costs will be addressed, and staff is working on developing that plan. Ms. Beeman noted that the Tilicum Club is working to promote a 'Friends of the Museum' campaign to raise money for ongoing museum operations, but those funds will support the maintenance of the collection, not the structure. They are interested in the Moorman House as a portion of their future museum needs.

Commissioner Stewart reported on her perceptions to the meeting with the museum coordinators. She feels it should be considered a compliment to the museum that the City is interested in providing a more visible venue for their collection. She noted that the 'brick sales' as a fundraiser was extremely successful, both for the Cheney Library, and also for the downtown renovation project.

Discussion followed. Chairman Hull noted that this is a good example of a project which will require many facets of the community to work together to accomplish it. She explained that various levels of financial support have been associated with names of prominent women in the community.

Commissioner Lauritsen suggested that members of the Commission donate to the Friends of the Museum group, as a gesture of support and goodwill.

**Old Business: Selection of Properties for In-Depth Survey.** Ms. Beeman distributed copies of a summary of recommended properties for in-depth survey. Commissioner Stewart made a motion to accept the handout as presented, and to forward this to our consultants with the understanding that they select the best 25 candidates for further survey work. Seconded by Commissioner Lauritsen; motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Reports:** Chairman Hull noted that the National Trust annual conference will be held July 27-30 in Baltimore, MD.

Chairman Hull noted that there is a community health forum this evening between 7 and 8:00 p.m. at the Church of Latter Day Saints on N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street which is free and open to the public.

Commissioner Flinn announced the ‘Live It Up Downtown Spokane Lifestyles Tour’ which will be held Mothers’ Day Weekend, May 14 & 15. Live It Up tours are free tours of condominiums in the downtown. The Museum of Arts & Culture is also offering downtown tours for a small charge, but there will be many activities including free trolley shuttles, wine tastings, etc. A full schedule is available at [www.liveitupspokane.com](http://www.liveitupspokane.com).

Commissioner Stewart noted that the University is putting together a comprehensive plan for dealing with a potential bird flue epidemic. Chairman Hull recommended a book entitled ‘The Great Influenza’ which recounts the story of the 1918-1920 influenza pandemic. She felt it was good that the country is beginning to consider steps to be taken to curb the spread of such a virulent disease.

**Staff Reports:** None.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Chairman Hull adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

**Approved:**

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Bettye Hull, Chairman

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Susan Beeman, Secretary