

# JACKSON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## MINUTES

<b>Date:</b> October 15, 2019
<b>Time Begin:</b> 5:15 pm
<b>Time End:</b> 5:51 pm
<b>Location:</b> Jackson County Public Library, Genealogy Study Room

Members	Present	Absent	Members	Present	Absent	Members	Present	Absent
Daniel Peoples	X		Jane Eastman	X		Carl Iobst	X	
Susan Leveille	X		Joe Rhinehart		X	Beth Parris		X
Connie Haire	X		Luther Jones	X				
Bill Crawford	X		Pam Meister	X				

**Others Present:**

Caroline LaFrienier, Planner II  
 Allison Kelley, Administrative Assistant

**Call to Order and Quorum Check**

Chair Susan Leveille called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and a quorum was present.

**Public Comment (3 minutes per speaker)**

There were no public comments.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Jane Eastman made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Luther Jones seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Carl Iobst made a motion to approve the minutes from September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Bill Crawford seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**a) Greening Up the Mountains Discussion**

Caroline LaFrienier asked the Commission to provide feedback on the visual display for the Then & Now photographs they would like to showcase at the upcoming festival. She stated from previous meetings the Commission discussed a Then & Now comparison of what you could purchase in Downtown Sylva. In addition, they discussed having a visual timeline of Downtown Sylva throughout the years. Ms. LaFrienier asked the Commission for direction to begin research and gathering photographs.

Mr. Iobst stated the Commission needs to decide on the “bumper sticker” message they want to communicate to the community. Ms. Eastman stated they could include the type of businesses and services that were offered, along with what you could purchase 100 and 50 years ago to the present day. Ms. Meister informed the Commission while she was researching for the Then & Now display for the library, there were many car dealerships 50 years ago.

Mr. Crawford reminisced in 1942 it cost 12 cents to go to the movies, 5 cents for both popcorn and soda. He stated, gas prices were 19 cents a gallon. In addition, he stated in the 1940's materials for housekeeping and farming were found on Downtown Main Street.

Ms. Eastman suggested to have a guessing game within the tent of what price an item would be and those closest wins a prize. Mr. Peoples suggested to having a display of items from the stores they could purchase. Ms. Meister stated the "bumper sticker" message could be "Shopping on Main Street Then & Now."

Ms. Leveille inquired if they had a budget that would allow the Commission to purchase items from flea markets. Ms. LaFrienier stated she would look into the budget, and there is approximately 40 puzzles leftover, and they would order 50 more puzzles with a new picture.

Ms. Lafrienier stated she was considering creating a visual timeline of Downtown Main Street in the booth. Ms. Meister suggested a panoramic photo of Downtown Main Street, label each building with the year and business. Mr. Jones inquired if they could get the local merchants, and the chamber of commerce involved. Ms. Meister stated as an incentive, the current merchants could get publicity in a brochure of what is available for shopping in Downtown Sylva. In addition, to connect to the historical aspect, the brochures can also list the previously existing businesses. Mr. Jones stated they might be able to help with printing costs, or they could donate an item of a current piece they sell and have "courteously of the name of the business."

Ms. Lafrienier stated she would begin researching what you could purchase and price of items in Downtown Sylva, 100, and 50 years ago to the present day. She will first develop a list of businesses in each building for the 1920s, 1970s, and 2020. Ms. Leveille stated Nick & Nates restaurant that use to be across the hospital had old photographs and ads that were framed that might be useful for this project. Ms. Haire stated that she believed Marion Jones owned them.

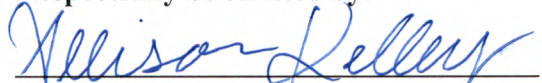
### Update

Ms. LaFrienier updated the Commission that June Smith has completed the study list application for St. David's Episcopal Church. They will submit the application to the state in November, and it will be presented to the review board at the beginning of 2020. In addition, she stated they are still in the process of working on the Architectural Historic Survey. Ms. Meister inquired if the Commission should be doing anything regarding the Facebook page. Ms. LaFrienier stated they could discuss the direction and overall goal the Commission wants to take with the Facebook page in a future meeting. They have already completed the posts for the national registered.

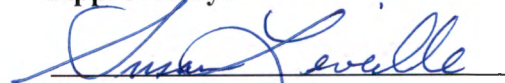
### **Adjournment:**

With no further business, Pam Meister made a motion to adjourn. Daniel Peoples seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by:**

  
Allison Kelley, Administrative Assistant

**Approved by:**

  
Susan Leveille, Chair