



Cowlitz County Historic Preservation Commission

Hybrid Meeting in the GMR Room and Virtually via Go-To-Meeting
207 Fourth Avenue North, Kelso, WA

Meeting Summary Thursday, September 8th, 2022

10:00 am: ROLL CALL: Chair Joel Rupley called the meeting to order.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Deputy Chair – Harvey Williamson
Dr. David Rice
Butch Ogden

Chair – Joel Rupley
Erin Thoeny
Bill Watson

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

none

STAFF PRESENT: George Winn – Senior Policy & Outreach Planner, Laura Gressett – Assistant Policy & Outreach Planner

CHANGES TO AGENDA: The intro with Michelle Thompson was advanced to agenda item #1.

APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES: The July 2022 meeting summary was approved. The August 2022 meeting was cancelled.

SHORT ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES:

- George shared news of his departure from the County in early October 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Guest Christy Tseu proposed signage or designation of a scenic route along I-5 from Exit 22 to Exit 27

AGENDA ITEMS:

Introduction of Dept of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) with CLG Coordinator Staff Michelle Thompson

- Michelle broadly discussed DAHP and the Certified Local Government (CLG) program
- Commissioners asked questions about historic building handicap accessibility, consultations between agencies and tribes, Wisaard GIS program, appreciation for the intermittent DAHP emails, and a training on historic home architecture.

Discussion: Historic Property Inventory Sub-Committee

- Discussed work to date utilizing digital maps
- Discussed outreach approach

Discussion: Summer Outreach

- Discussed outreach debrief and ideas for next year

Presentation: Cowlitz Trails Project

- Committee tabled this item due to lack of time

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Joel Rupley adjourned the meeting

The next Historic Preservation Commission meeting was scheduled for **October 6, 2022 from 10AM to 11:00AM.**