Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission

Minutes

The meeting was held on Thursday, April 20, at 7 p.m., in the meeting of the Jefferson County Planning Commission. Commission members Coyle, Theriault, and Washington were present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

A special meeting was set for May 4th at 7:30 pm to meet with Paul Raco. The discussion will focus on the relationship between the zoning ordinance and enabling legislation which permits the Landmarks Commission to designate areas as historic districts.

Theriault reported his meeting with Mrs. Hazel Hendricks regarding her wish to have an historic easement placed on her property. Washington will send a copy of the Blakely easement to her for use in drafting her own easement. Theriault recommended to Mrs. Hendricks that she consult a lawyer to have the required documents drafted and contact the Landmarks Commission when she wishes to take further action.

Work on creating an historic map overlay has been suspended until funding is available. The Jefferson County Historical Society has been contacted for a donation.

Coyle recommended that the Commission make plans to view Blakely some time soon. The Commission agreed to do so when it could be scheduled.

A letter was received from Mrs. Edna Jordan offering assistance to the Landmarks Commission in performing research. The Commission voted to send her a letter accepting her offer and promising to contact her when specific work assignments are available.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18th. This meeting will serve as the public hearing for the Landmark Commission’s revised rules. Copies of the rules were sent to the Jefferson County Historical Society, the League of Women Voters, the WVU Extension Office, and Potomac Headwaters RC & D.

Coyle asked if the Landmarks Commission should actively propose sites for designation as county landmarks. The Commission decided that this action was appropriate, and commission members were requested to bring lists of proposed sites to the next meeting.

Regarding the requests from Bruce and Patricia Craig and Laurel and Scott Faulkner to have Schoolhouse Ridge designated an historic landmark, Washington suggested that the Commission begin to collect background information. Theriault offered to provide Commission members with copies of material recently distributed at a workshop on the Schoolhouse Ridge area.

The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary