

TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Black Mountain Historic Preservation Commission held its regular meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in Town Hall at 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, North Carolina.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. with the following members present:

Elaine Loutzenheiser, Chair
Susan Leive
Frank Cappelli

Absent:

Amanda Vothrall

Staff:

Jennifer Tipton, Zoning Administrator

Others Present:

Mary Soyenova
Russ Keeney
Mary Keeney

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and duly constituted and opened for business with a quorum of three (3) regular members.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Frank Cappelli made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Susan Leive and approved by a vote of 3-0.

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to adopt.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation from Russ Keeney for Old Depot Signage

Russ Keeney, board member of the Old Depot Association Board, spoke to the commission about placing a sign at the end of Cherry Street beside the depot to attract more people to the depot. The Old Depot Association received a grant and the association is doing an awakening of the depot and so far have replaced benches and have redone some of the signage on the building. Mary Soyenova presented the commission will several examples of the sign. The material will be aluminum with a plastic inside that will not warp or rust and will be six millimeters thick. They are looking at either a green or cream background. The association is hoping to be able to remove the trees between the depot and the caboose and replace with shrubs which will help the sign be more visible. The association will place photo panels along the fence detailing the history

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of the railroad and the depot. The maximum size would be four feet by six feet. The commission said that they preferred the cream background with the train and the four feet by six feet in size.

2. Training Update

Jennifer Tipton spoke about the training that was held at the Haywood County Courthouse. The training went over historic commissions and some of the history. The training also covered outreach and events. The commission talked about field trips, a coloring book, a scavenger hunt, a self-guided walking pamphlet, a speaker of the month and possibly doing a ribbon cutting for the Old Depot when they are finished installing their sign. Ms. Tipton is going to try and get in touch with Jerry Pope, who wrote a walking tour book for Black Mountain, and see if we can use his book as a coloring book and walking guide. The commission members are going to work on lists of speakers and partnering organizations.

VI. COMMUNICATION FROM HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

None.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

Ms. Tipton presented two sign permits. One is for the Open Oven Bakery on Church Street and they will be using the same frame as the old Black Mountain Bakery Sign. The commission approved the sign request.

The other sign presented was for North Fork Kitchen, formerly Dark City Deli, to paint their logo on the fence that covers the air conditioning unit. The logo will be in black paint and will not include the fork. The commission approved the sign request.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Frank Cappelli made a motion to adjourn at 7:11 p.m. The motion was seconded by Elaine Loutzenheiser and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Prepared by:


Elaine Loutzenheiser, Chair


Jennifer Tipton, Zoning Administrator