

CITY OF WILDWOOD
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
WILDWOOD CITY HALL (HOSTED)
16860 MAIN STREET
WILDWOOD, MISSOURI 63040
July 1, 2022

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Meeting: Friday, July 1, 2022, hosted at Wildwood City Hall, via Zoom, at 10:00 a.m.
Attending: Commissioners Hensic, Rowton, Hammond and Hrubes, Vice-Chair Scott, Council Liaison Rambaud (phone), and Chair Stevens
Absent: Alternates Adams and Quarternik, Secretary Bachert, Commission Liaison Broyles and Council Liaison Nyhan
Staff: Administrator Steve Cross, Director of Planning and Parks Joe Vujnich, and Planner Robyn Keefe

II. Opening Remarks

Chair Stevens commented, appearing to be in support of the trend, about how the Commission was becoming involved in an increasing number of activities.

III. Public Comment (comments can be provided via Zoom Chat)

None.

IV. Old Business

A. Ready for Action – No Items

B. Not Ready for Action – One (1) Item

1. Update on Kohn Park Sign (**Ward One**)
2. Historic Route 66 Revitalization Initiative Work Program Update (**Wards – All**)
3. Route 66 School Engagement (**Wards – All**)
4. Route 66 Roadside Park Project Work Program Update (**Wards – All**)
5. 2022 Points of Interest Map Redesign Update (**Wards – All**)
6. Discussion of Essen Log Cabin Use & Location (**Wards – All**)
7. Update on 2022 Work Program (**Wards – All**)

V. New Business

A. Ready for Action – No Items

B. Not Ready for Action – Two (2) Items

1. Discussion Regarding the Age Threshold Used to Determine Qualification as Historic **(Wards – All)**
2. Overview of Maintenance Bids for Old Pond School **(Ward One)**

VI. Review of Proposed Zoning/Plats/Site Development Plans/Demolition Requests – One (1) Item

- A. Review and act upon the credentials of an archeological firm and its principal as part of a condition in a governing permit approved for a new project that is located on Wild Horse Creek Road, by the bluff overlooking the Chesterfield Valley. (Ward One)**

Director Vujnich presented on the item, noting that Monarch Fire Protection District was seeking to build a new fire station at Wild Horse Creek Road and Eatherton Road. The project required a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), including a requirement that states the Historic Preservation Commission is to participate in the selection of a consultant to perform a required archeological survey at the site. The Department of Planning and Parks considers the consultant chosen (Michele Lorenzini of Mound City Archeological Services, LLC), based on the resume submitted, to be well-qualified for the work. Finally, he noted the area in question is an area where indigenous people frequented in their nomadic treks, giving reason for the City to be careful and diligent in this opportunity to potentially document more of the area's history, before the fire station is built.

Vice-Chair Scott asked if the chosen consultant was attending the meeting and could present. Bill Ahal, the fire district's representative, was then given an opportunity to speak. Vice-Chair Scott noted the consultant was the only employee of the company. He also requested information about how the work would be performed. He noted concern the qualifications of the workers doing the digging were not being reviewed. Director Vujnich noted the Department's expectation would be that the chosen consultant would be the primary participant at the site overseeing all work as it was done, including how the site was treated, and ultimately, how the excavations were made, where they are made, and how any found artifacts were preserved.

Mr. Ahal stated the chosen consultant was unavailable. He noted he would follow up on all questions asked by the Commissioners. He noted he has a couple copies of surveys she has done, but did not know who would be doing the excavations.

Director Vujnich requested that a motion to approve Mound City Archeological Services, LLC, but with a condition the principal be onsite for all excavations and field work. Commissioner Hrubes made the motion and Commissioner Rowton seconded the motion. The motion was approved with unanimous voice vote.

Vice-Chair Scott noted he would like to participate or observe when the field work was performed. Mr. Ahal noted he would pass along the consultant's schedule for the planned work. Commissioner Hrubes also asked for information on the make-up of her company, including information about any others who would be performing the work at the site.

VII. Other Matters for Consideration – No Items

VIII. Upcoming Meeting Date – July 28, 2022 (Thursday) TBD

IX. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Vice-Chair Scott made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hammond, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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