

CITY OF WILDWOOD
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
WILDWOOD CITY HALL (HOSTED)
16860 MAIN STREET
WILDWOOD, MISSOURI 63040
July 13, 2021

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Meeting: Tuesday, July 13, 2021, hosted in the Wildwood City Hall Community Room, at 6:30 p.m.
Attending: Commissioners Scott, Rowton, Bachert and Hrubes, Alternate Quarternik, Council Liaison Jakcsy, Commission Liaison Broyles, and Vice-Chair Stevens
Absent: Commissioners Hensic and Hammond, Alternate Adams, and Council Liaison Nyhan
Staff: Director of Planning and Parks Joe Vujnich and Planner Robyn Keefe

II. Opening Remarks by Chair and Department of Planning

Vice-Chair Stevens welcomed everyone to the meeting, which was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

III. Public Comment

None

IV. Old Business

A. Ready for Action – One (1) Item

1. Missouri Bicentennial Celebration (2021) – Time Capsule Items for the City’s Participation (Wards – All)

Discussion opened about how the time capsule might be formatted. Cover sheets were discussed for each of the three categories, Past, Present and Future. It was suggested that an explanation/description/narrative be provided at the beginning. It was also discussed that eighty (80) pages front and back together would be a quarter of an inch thick, a requirement for the capsule.

Some ideas for contributions included the eleven historic community descriptions, the horse history of Wildwood, particularly dealing with Rockwood Reservations, and the Rambaud family history with photos. Director Vujnich suggested there be a collage of photographs. One member suggested an item be submitted on the graves throughout Wildwood. One member inquired as to whether there was a photograph of the Wildwood ribbon cutting. Director Vujnich stated that the Department would look for one and bring it forth if it existed. A member then suggested a trail map be included.

One idea suggested was to make the time capsule more personal by adding a number of quotes from Commission Members to future residents of Wildwood, as well as the State of Missouri. One member suggested these only be a sentence to a paragraph.

Another member suggested that the group look at past submissions to the time capsule (assuming one had been opened previously). Members suggested the group look to its contributions and build off of that, creating a vision for "now."

One member suggested that the group focus on quality over quantity, coming up with a very concise but meaningful submission.

Planner Keefe suggested the group have their photo taken at this meeting to be contributed to the "Present" category. This idea was agreed upon and a photo was taken with the members socially distancing towards the end of the meeting.

Finally, the group decided to put ideas on post-it notes to organize under the various headings. The ideas contributed were as follows:

Past

- Save the Greenbelt Bumper Sticker
- Big Chief Motel
- Stovall's Grove
- Photos of old and present buildings – Big Chief, Bethel Church, Pond School
- Rambaud Family Store on Route 66
- Larry's Tavern
- Past Photos – Essen Log Cabin, Big Chief, Schott's Pontiac, Indians photo (p.98 One Room Book)
- An area in far West County...image of two-lane gravel road at Old State and Manchester Roads
- Development of Rockwood Reservations
- The gravel mines off Ridge Road, "Zombie Road"
- Historic community's descriptions
- Mary Cliff and LaSalle Institute
- Graves throughout Wildwood – a few pictures
- One room schools – i.e. Pond School
- Old Pond School class photo

Present

- Wildwood – the city of parks
- Camp Wyman
- Trails for all people of all abilities
- Nature is the key to Wildwood – open spaces
- County parks
- Eleven (11) historic markers photo and/or words
- Farmers Market photos
- Roundabouts
- Five (5) star schools of Rockwood School District
- Wildwood YMCA

- St. Louis Community College at Wildwood
- Caulks Creek erosion – photograph
- Town Center Area – Boundary Map
- Bluff View Park AKA Packwood Park
- Route 66 – original pavement area
- Hidden Valley Ski Resort
- Rockwood Reservation – past, present and future

Future

- Village Green and rationale
- Parks and trails maintained and kept the same
- Elizabeth Broyles narrative – Why move to Wildwood
- At night in Wildwood – you can view the stars because of no street lights
- City’s Mission and Vision Statements
- Paragraph from Commission Members
- Continued saving of any remaining farms and larger parcels (Charter)

Other

- Quote on future
- Dan’s quote
- Quote to present
- Past, present and future saying from Past page in packet
- Ribbon cutting as a city
- New homes, new residents from around the country – diversified

It was agreed to by the group that any final submissions needed to be formatted and sent to Planner Keefe electronically by no later than noon on Monday, July 19, 2021.

V. Other Matters for Consideration

None

VI. Upcoming Monthly Meeting Date – July 22, 2021 (Thursday)

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 22nd, at 6:30 p.m.

VII. Closing Remarks and Adjournment by Chair

A motion was made by Council Liaison Jakcsy, and seconded by Commissioner Bachert, to adjourn the meeting. With a unanimous voice vote, Vice-Chair Stevens declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.