

Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review Meeting
May 4, 2019
Museum Classrooms
Kansas Museum of History, Topeka, KS

Board Members

Present: Jennie Chinn, Sharron Hamilton, Timothy Hersh, John Hoopes, Laura Murphy, David Sachs and Toni Stewart.

Absent: Eric Engstrom, Kathryn Herzog, Joseph Johnson and Gregory Schneider.

A quorum was established.

Staff

Present: Rick Anderson, Bethany Falvey, Jamee Fiore, Kristen Johnston, Lauren Jones, Marsha Longofono, Jillian Love, Katrina Ringler and Patrick Zollner.

Proceedings

In Chairman Gregory Schneider's absence, Jennie Chinn called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. and asked for introductions from the board members and staff. Chinn announced the resignation of former board Vice-Chairman Eric Engstrom. The board unanimously approved a resolution to recognize the distinguished service of Engstrom. A certificate of appreciation will be mailed to him. John Hoopes recommended that SHPO staff issue a letter that can be signed by the board members, to which Chinn agreed.

Approval of Minutes

The board approved the meeting minutes of November 17, 2018.

Cultural Resources Division Director's Report

Patrick Zollner reported that there are now 1,478 Kansas listings in the National Register of Historic Places, 182 state-only listings and 27 National Historic Landmarks, with 10 new listings since the last meeting. Zollner announced that the annual Kansas Preservation Alliance Awards for Excellence will be held May 17 in Topeka. The Kansas Historical Society and the Kansas Anthropological Association will hold the annual KATP Field School at the Tobias Site in Rice County on June 1-16. As part of this program, SHPO staff will present a full-day Preservation 101 workshop on June 8. Zollner also announced that planning is underway for the annual State Historic Preservation Conference, which will be held September 19-21 in Dodge City. Zollner introduced Jamee Fiore, who was hired as the new National Register Coordinator and joined the SHPO staff on December 17, 2018.

Report of the 2019 Heritage Trust Fund Grant Review Committee

The recommendations of the HTF grant review committee (Attachment 1) were read by committee chair David Sachs. Jennie Chinn thanked the committee members and announced that nothing is official until the state budget has been passed by Governor Laura Kelley and we have access to those funds. The board unanimously accepted the recommendations.

Report of the 2019 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Review Committee

The recommendations of the HPF grant review committee (Attachment 2) were read by committee chair Toni Stewart. Jennie Chinn thanked the committee members. The board unanimously accepted the recommendations.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NOMINATIONS

Lincoln High School

Lincoln, Lincoln County

Criteria A & C: Architecture & Education

Period of Significance: 1922

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

MPS: Historic Public Schools of Kansas

Summary: Lincoln High School is a three-story Collegiate Gothic building constructed in 1922. The symmetrical front façade and projecting entry are typical to Progressive Era School design. Designed by William H. Sayler and built by John Gosling, this is one of the few examples of a Sayler-designed school still standing. The building served the community for 74 years and represented the town’s commitment to public education. The school embodies distinctive characteristics of the Collegiate Gothic architectural style including crenulated parapet, shallow gables over the entries and pointed arches.

Presented by: Brenda Spencer

Discussion: John Hoopes asked about the planned use for the building, to which Spencer deferred to Kelly Larson -- the Lincoln County Economic Development Director -- who was in the audience representing the property owner. Larson replied that the group of property owners is considering several options: apartments, a new medical clinic, a health/wellness center or a brewery expansion. The owners are working towards utilizing tax credits to rehabilitate this building. Board member Sharron Hamilton spoke in support of the nomination.

Motion to approve: John Hoopes
6 votes yes, 1 absention¹

Second: Toni Stewart

Brotherhood Block

Kansas City, Wyandotte County

Criterion A: Social History

Period of Significance: 1921-1969

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

Summary: The Brotherhood Block is comprised of two buildings on one city block. The first two levels were constructed in 1910, and the top three floors were added when the International

¹Chinn typically abstains from voting except when a tiebreak is needed.

Brotherhood of Boilermakers moved to this location in 1921. The building has had several specialists work on the design and construction of the property. In 1921 Rose & Peterson were the architects, in 1949 John Maulsby Jr. was the architect, Finney & Turnipseed were the structural engineers and Patti Construction Company was the builder. From its organization in 1893, the Brotherhood has advocated for fair wages, better working conditions and the overall welfare of its members from its headquarters in Kansas City.

SHPO Note: The owner is applying for federal tax credits.

Presented by: Amanda Loughlin

Discussion: John Hoopes asked if the fenestrations had changed from the original building, to which Loughlin replied yes but we cannot date it; however, it is believed that it occurred in the 1990s with the EPA. David Sachs congratulated the author of the nomination, remarking that it provided a lot of information about the labor movement. Jennie Chinn asked about the planned use of the building, to which property owner Patrick Kearns replied 85% of the building is occupied by the Union and its affiliates; the plan is to leave it as it is. Tim Hersh commented that one of his best friends is a boilermaker and that it is a highly skilled and valued trade.

Motion to approve: David Sachs
6 votes yes, 1 abstention

Second: Tim Hersh

Kansas City YMCA

Kansas City, Wyandotte County

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of Significance: 1912-1913, 1927

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

Summary: Designed by Rose & Peterson, the Kansas City YMCA Building was constructed of red brick, white terra cotta and is an excellent example of Classical Revival architectural style. The first two floors were built in 1912-1913, but construction halted until 1927 when the community raised enough funds to complete the building. The YMCA is an excellent example of the pre-WWI gymnasium, and it is one of the few remaining in Kansas.

SHPO Note: The owner is applying for federal tax credits.

Presented by: Amanda Loughlin

Discussion: David Sachs commented that the nomination contained great historical data about the formation of the YMCA. John Hoopes suggested the addition of Criterion A in association with the social history, to which Loughlin replied most of the significance lies in the construction of the building and not so much the community and/or social history aspect.

Motion to approve: Toni Stewart
6 votes yes, 1 abstention

Second: David Sachs

YMCA Building

Atchison, Atchison County

Criterion A: Social History

Period of Significance: 1913-1969

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

Summary: The three-story brick building has Tudor Revival style elements like the stucco, faux half-timbering and ornament on the gables. Chicago architects Shattuck & Hussey, the architects who designed hundreds of YMCA buildings across the world, designed this building. The doors opened in 1913 with a gymnasium, swimming pool, rooms for gathering and 34 dormitory rooms. The Atchison YMCA was a community asset since it opened in 1913.

SHPO Note: The owner is applying for federal tax credits.

Presented by: Amanda Loughlin

Discussion: John Hoopes suggested the addition of Criterion C in association with the Tudor Style architecture, to which Loughlin replied this is not exactly a good example of YMCA architecture; however, it is a great example of social community history.

Motion to approve: John Hoopes
6 votes yes, 1 absention

Second: Toni Stewart

The board took a 10-minute break at 10:35 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:45 a.m. Tim Hersh left the meeting during the break. A quorum was established with Jennie Chinn voting for the remaining nominations.

Klock's Grocery & Independent Laundry

Lawrence, Douglas County

Criterion A: Commerce & Ethnic Heritage/German

Period of Significance: 1921-1969

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

MPS: Historic Resources of Lawrence

Summary: The Klock's Grocery & Independent Laundry is an example of the evolution of commerce in the Lawrence community. The building was constructed in 1922, and rehabilitation was completed in the mid-century. Fred Klock had a long association with the German American community in Lawrence, and this building was a key commercial enterprise. German-Americans comprised the largest group of foreign-born residents of early Lawrence, and there was a distinct presence on Massachusetts Street. Also, the building features a modern architecture makeover which marks an essential growth in Lawrence History.

SHPO Note: This applicant is applying for federal tax credits.

Presented by: Stan Hernley

Discussion: Patrick Zollner asked for clarification regarding how the coin washing machines worked, to which Hernley replied the machines were self-service, but an attendant was on duty. John Hoopes asked about the planned use of the building, to which Hernley replied apartments.

Motion to approve: John Hoopes
6 votes yes

Second: Laura Murphy

Alfred Fete Apartments
Horton, Brown County

Criterion A: Community Development

Period of Significance: 1916-1923

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 contributing building

Summary: This two-story brick building was built by Alfred Fete, a Swedish immigrant, railroad mechanic and soon, distinguished citizen. The large rectangular building features four apartment units and good interior finishes. Mr. Fete was a successful businessman in the community, and his apartment building is an excellent example of apartments constructed between both World Wars. The *Horton Headlight* printed in July 1916: “The house will have the unique distinction of being planned, built and paid for by one man. Mr. Fete was his own architect, now supervising the work and doing part of it himself and paying for everything in hard cash when he buys it.”

SHPO Note: The owners are working hard to rehabilitate the building and would like to see more properties in their community listed in the NRHP.

Presented by: Jamee Fiore

Discussion: Jennie Chinn asked if the property is still an apartment building, to which Fiore responded yes, 3 of the apartments are occupied. John Hoopes suggested the addition of Criterion C for its architectural significance. Upon further discussion, the consideration of Criterion C was dropped.

Motion to approve: David Sachs
6 votes yes

Second: Toni Stewart

Cimarron City Jail
Cimarron, Gray County

Criteria A & C: Architecture & Politics/Government

Period of Significance: 1929-1958

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 local building

Summary: The Cimarron City Jail is a small square concrete building that was constructed in response to a need from the community to detain persons until they could be relocated to the county courthouse. One of the most common uses of the jail seems to be holding intoxicated citizens until their inebriation wore off. The jail was in use from 1929-1958 as a place to detain

Sachs commented that this was a strong nomination and suggested that this property might be eligible for Criterion A for Social History, but not as it is written. John Hoopes concurred.

Public Discussion: David Svoboda (V.P. of Alumni Association) spoke in support of the nomination. He stated that they are in the midst of raising funds for the renovations and wanted to obtain state tax credits to help with that. John Hoopes asked if he understood why it might be important to nominate it to the National Register, to which Svoboda replied yes, I have discussed this with Kristen Johnston. The board made a motion to approve the state nomination at this time with a recommendation that the owner explore the opportunity to pursue National Register nomination in the future. Patrick Zollner advised that the board can only vote today on whether or not they will approve the nomination to the Register of Historic Kansas Places; they cannot elevate the nomination at this point.

Motion to approve: John Hoopes
6 votes yes

Second: Laura Murphy

Other Business

John Hoopes asked about a notice in the paper regarding the proposed National Register rule changes and asked for clarification regarding how these changes will affect the listing process. Patrick Zollner explained that the NPS is proposing changes to the National Register regulations that would impact several things. The most important items for Kansas are the owner count and verification. The new proposed rules would change the way we count property owners to include the percentage of land a single property owner has. We (Kansas SHPO) have submitted our formal comments to the National Park Service.

The next meeting of the Historic Sites Board of Review will be August 3, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Kansas Museum of History in the Museum Classrooms.

Patrick Zollner announced that HSBOR officers will be elected at the next meeting and meeting dates for 2020 will be selected.

There was no further business. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Report of the 2019 Heritage Trust Fund Grant Review Committee

On February 8, 2019, after a public meeting, the Heritage Trust Fund Grant Review Committee met to discuss its final selection of the 2019 Heritage Trust Fund grant applications and to prepare a list of recommendations to this board. The members of the committee are Tim Hersh, David Sachs and Toni Stewart. The committee reviewed 50 applications requesting a total of \$3,678,838 in grant funds.

The committee evaluated the applicants, employing the criteria stated in the legislation that created the grant program in 1990. The criteria include the property's level of historic significance, condition of the property, urgency of the work proposed, level of endangerment, administrative ability of the applicant, potential benefit to the community and state, community support for the project, and the property owner's financial need.

Following is the list of properties recommended for funding in the 2019 round of Heritage Trust Fund grants. They are listed alphabetically by county.

County	Property	Award
Barton	Crest Theater	\$ 90,000
Butler	DeGraff Community Church/First Presbyterian Church of DeGraff	\$ 17,595
Cherokee	Rial A. Niles House	\$ 90,000
Coffey	Plaza Theatre	\$ 90,000
Ellsworth	Insurance Building	\$ 69,840
Franklin	Wellsville Bank Building	\$ 88,421
Harper	Harper Standpipe	\$ 90,000
Leavenworth	Stonehaven Farm	\$ 38,146
Lincoln	Lincoln Carnegie Library	\$ 86,832
Marshall	Frankfort School	\$ 32,846
Montgomery	Midland Theater	\$ 90,000
Ness	Ness County Bank Building	\$ 10,993

These 12 awards total \$794,673 in proposed grant funding. The selected projects include many significant properties drawn from locations across the state. We believe the recommended projects will benefit these historic resources and the communities in which they are found. We hope these projects meet with your approval and that you will choose to endorse our recommendations. I therefore move that this report be accepted by the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review, pending the availability of funds.

Heritage Trust Fund Grant Review Committee
 Tim Hersh
 David Sachs

**Historic Preservation Fund
Report of the Grants Review Committee to the
Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review -- May 4, 2019**

On Friday May 3, 2019, a public hearing was held at the Kansas Historical Society, pursuant to published notice, allowing all interested parties an opportunity to address the applications received for the Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Historic Preservation Fund grant program. Six members of the public were in attendance and five spoke in favor of their grant applications.

I, Toni Stewart, and the other members of the Historic Preservation Fund Grants Review Committee including Valerie Mendoza and Jennie Chinn, met with SHPO staff immediately following the hearing to go over application ratings and committee comments. The committee reviewed 11 grant requests totaling \$158,150.

The Historic Preservation Fund Grants Review Committee recommends funding the following projects, as they were proposed, pending allocation of funding by the National Park Service for federal fiscal year 2019. The projects are listed alphabetically.

- City of Manhattan – Aggieville Intensive Historic Resources Survey -- \$29,500
- City of Marion – Survey of Downtown Marion -- \$9,750
- City of Pittsburg – Downtown Pittsburg Survey -- \$16,000
- City of Topeka – Auburndale/Garlinghouse Big Reveal Workshop -- \$9,700
- City of Topeka –Mid-Century Modern Resources of Topeka 1940-1975 -- \$17,000
- City of Topeka – Tennessee Town Intensive Survey Phase #2 -- \$14,500
- Douglas County – Intensive Survey of Marion Township -- \$10,900
- Douglas County – Multiple Property Document for Historic Agriculture-Related Resources of Douglas County -- \$9,000
- Kansas Anthropological Association – Production of *The Kansas Anthropologist*, Volumes 39-41 -- \$4,500
- Lincoln County – Lincoln County Courthouse Research & Assessment -- \$13,300

The HPF Grant Review Committee respectfully submits this report to the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review. I move that the Board approve this report for funding. The committee members will stand for questions.

Historic Preservation Grant Review Committee

Jennie Chinn
Valerie Mendoza
Toni Stewart