

LACEY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AGENDA

Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 6:00pm

Hybrid Meeting via Zoom & City Hall

The Historical Commission meeting will be conducted both remotely and in-person. The public may attend the meeting in-person in the Council Chambers at Lacey City Hall located at 420 College St SE.

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Emailed correspondence that is received throughout the month will be included in the next available Historical Commission packet under Correspondence.

1. Call meeting to order
2. Additions or deletions to the agenda*
3. Introductions & Announcements
4. Minutes
 - a. Correction/Approval to the August 17, 2022 minutes*
5. Correspondence
6. Calendar of Events
7. Old Business
 - a. Elections*
 - b. New Museum Project
 - c. Lacey Depot/Food Truck Plaza
8. New Business
 - a. Recent Acquisitions*
 - b. Bowker House Update
9. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - a. Policy/StEPs Committee – on hiatus
 - b. Archaeology Committee – on hiatus

10. Public Comment
 - a. Lacey Historical Society
 - b. Others

11. Reports
 - a. Museum/Curator
 - b. Commissioners
 - c. Chair
 - d. Parks, Culture & Recreation Director

12. Adjourn

**Items that require Commission action.*

The Museum enriches our community and engages visitors by sharing vibrant stories of the past through the preservation and celebration of Lacey and the South Sound region's cultural heritage.

LACEY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 17, 2022 6:00 p.m.
Hybrid meeting via Zoom and City Hall

PRESENT

Commission: David Black, Erich Ebel, Kimberly Goetz, Sarah Thirtyacre and Alan Tyler
(*joined 6:05 p.m.*).

Excused: Jim Keogh

Staff: Jennifer Burbidge, Parks, Cultural & Recreation Director; and Erin Quinn Valcho, Museum Curator.

Public: Lanny Weaver, Lacey Historical Society.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Erich Ebel.

AGENDA

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the agenda as written.

MINUTES

The July 20, 2022 minutes were approved as written and placed on record.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Ms. Burbidge announced three Commissioner candidates are being recommended to City Council. Commissioner Tyler will be serving a 3rd term.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- a. Ms. Quinn Valcho advised August 25 at 8PM will be a virtual cemetery tour via livestream and recording.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. New Museum Project. Ms. Burbidge updated the Commission on the status of funding opportunities.
 - Reviewed grant guidelines and standards.
 - Provided details on Lacey Historical Foundation nonprofit status.
- b. Lacey Depot/Food Truck Plaza. Ms. Burbidge reported installation of shades is underway.
 - Next events are the market on the 28, September 25, and October 23.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Recent Acquisitions*. Ms. Quinn Valcho reviewed the recent acquisitions for August.

Commissioner Black made a motion to approve, Commissioner Thirtyacre seconded. Motion carried.

- b. Elections*. Ms. Burbidge advised a new Chair is needed for the remainder of the year, nominations will be made in August and elections in September. Ms. Quinn Valcho reviewed the rules in event of a vacancy. Commissioners agreed to nominate a Chair until the scheduled November elections. Commissioners agreed to postpone the election process until the September meeting.

**Commissioner Black made a motion to nominate Commissioner Keogh.
Commissioner Thirtyacre seconded. Motion carried.**

- c. Grant Status Update. Ms. Quinn Valcho updated the board the status of grants listed in the Commission workplan.

Ad Hoc COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Policy/StEPs – on hiatus.
- b. Archaeology Committees – on hiatus.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Lacey Historical Society. Ms. Lanny Weaver reported:
 - The priority cabin project has been completed and findings will be sent to Ms. Quinn Valcho.
 - An event for Shirley Binkley is being planned for September 3.
- b. Others. None present.

REPORTS

- a. Museum/Curator – Ms. Quinn Valcho reported on Museum status, grant updates, and current projects being worked on within the Museum.
- b. Commissioners. Commissioner Black thanked the Commission and will be joining the John Coltrane home restoration project.
- c. Chair. Chair Ebel thanked the Commission and updated the Commission on his South Sound maritime history book project.
- d. Parks, Culture & Recreation Director – Ms. Burbidge reported on the department status and Ms. Quinn Valcho will steer the September meeting. Ms. Burbidge thanked Commissioner Black and Chair Ebel.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 6:00 p.m. remote meeting via Zoom



Recent Acquisitions Review
September 21, 2022
Lacey Historical Commission

According to LMC 2.4.050, the Historical Commission has the supervision, along with the Museum Curator, of accepting gifts of property for historical purposes. To that end, the listed items have been accepted by the Museum Curator for inclusion into the Lacey Museum collection subject to the review of the Commission.

Commissioners should consider the museum mission, the museum acquisitions policy, and the usefulness of the item(s) for display and research.

ACCEPTED FOR THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

2022-XXX Shirley Englehart Cronk

- Photograph, large panorama, Lacey student body, 1937
- Periodical, *The Young Citizen* or *The Junior Review*, Sept 14, 1942-May 20, 1946

Relation to Mission: Both of these items relate to the Lacey School. The periodical was a publication that was sent to children in the 1940s at school and was used in school as a teaching aid.

Relation to Collection: This will be added to our Lacey School collections.

FOR THE REFERENCE BOOK COLLECTION

DECLINED

Jim Eustice, two firearms without definitive local provenance

Museum Report Lacey Historical Commission August 2022



Lacey Museum Visitation/Customer Service

- The museum had 40 visitors in August. We are starting to see the attendance drop as it usually does around the time school starts.
- Staff spent **9** hours on customer service requests this month, including an interesting one on a barber that lived in Lacey with his family in the 30s and 40s.

Staff & Volunteers

- Erin worked at the museum to cover museum operations.
- Volunteers gave **58** hours this month. Marcia Batchelor, Scott Cole, and Celeste Martin worked as gallery hosts. Jim Keogh worked on the Lacey Leader project.

Collections, Research, Historic Properties, Publication & Registration

- Erin processed 1 potential acquisition for Commission approval.
- Erin continued research and writing on an article for the *Thurston County Historical Journal* on Gwinwood and Gwin Hicks.

Outreach, Exhibits, Marketing & Education

- The virtual tour of the Ruddell Pioneer Cemetery was a hit with 185 people attending live on YouTube and Facebook. There have been over 1000 views on both platforms. Having the program contracted out was a successful way to broaden our audience as well with many people from out of town expressing their desire to visit Lacey afterwards.
- Erin worked on the 2022-23 HistoryTalks season which included corresponding with speakers, preparing contracts, updating the website and developing marketing information.
- Erin redesigned the museum newsletter and sent out the August one.
- Erin developed and reviewed content for the museum website, including a new resource page for Historical Commissioners.
- Staff met with Finance to discuss the issues surrounding museum membership

Grants

- Erin submitted the Lodging Tax Application for the museum.

Professional Development

- Erin attended a Supervisor's Guide to Resolving Conflicts

Facility

- The Museum was closed September 8 due to staffing challenges.