

## **FRUITA HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**

PUBLIC MEETING  
**Monday, April 1, 2024, 11:00 A.M.**  
FRUITA CIVIC CENTER  
MINUTES

### **CALL TO ORDER**

- Attendance:** Dorrie Handley, Chris Endreson, Denise Hight, Yvonne Peterson, Amy Miller, Peggy Vertiz.
- Excused Absent:** Ed McClure, Andrea Filz.
- Staff Present:** Henry Hemphill, City Planner/Staff Liaison.
- Guests Present:** Tom McNamara, Johannah Van Waveren

Chris called the meeting to order at 11:04 am.

- Peggy made a motion to approve the agenda.
- Yvonne seconded the motion.
- No objections. Motion passed to approve the Agenda.

Dorrie made a motion to approve the minutes from March 2024.

- Denise seconded the motion.
- No objections. Motion passed to approve the March 2024 meeting minutes.

Old Fruita Bridge presentation/discussion:

- Chris introduced this topic after being reached out to by Tom and Ken.
- Tom would like to re-open the Fruita bridge to pedestrian access and he is looking for people interested in joining a group to support getting the bridge back to its public use.
- Amy asked Tom about that hurdles that they have seen that have restricted the public use.
  - Tom said lead paint, timbers, costs, and land ownership being the largest hurdle.
- The Board had a discussion about what it might take to get the bridge back to a usable area for pedestrians.
- The Board would like to have a display of Fruita Bridge history at the History Fair this year if possible.
- Tom said he and his group are working on getting a committee together to help the movement move forward for preservation of the Bridge.

Plaque Program discussion:

- Dorrie made some modifications to a landowner agreement for having the plaques on their property/home.
- Staff will now review the agreement and get back to the Board on any additional edits.
- Chris would like to get new plaques on commercial buildings this year.
- Chris would like to have the spreadsheet filled out by next meeting as well.

Other Business:

- The Board should now start to focus on the History Fair for this year.
- The Board is supportive of reprinting pictures used at the library that Steve and Denise Hight did for a history focus project. The Board and the Lower Valley Heritage Room could split the costs for reprinting them on higher-quality paper.

Adjourned at 12:05 pm.