

# Roeland Park Historical Committee

9<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

9/23/2021

## Present:

Michael Rebne, Jim Grebe, Allen Foley, Ian Thompkins, Russ McCorkle, Liz Vogel, Chris Wolff, Peter Macek. Chief Morris and Councilman Tom Madigan were not in attendance.

- 1. City Council Presentation update.** The meeting before the city council appeared to be well received. Keith Moody confirmed that we are underbudget at \$30,000 with a budget of \$35,000. The mayor seemed especially interested in the possibilities of the Otocast project.
- 2. Next Steps.** Content Creation. The Committee had a discussion on how best to proceed with the content creation for the signs for each project. Some discussion was had about the style of tour we would like to create for Otocast. Some options that other communities have used include: historic reenactments, narration provided by community members connected to the site, a single “radio voice” commentator.

A discussion was held regarding how to best divide up the work of writing copy for all of the signs. The committee expressed its desire to have a single narrative voice for all of the signs. To achieve this it was decided that committee chair Chris Wolff would create copy for all of the interpretive signs first. This could then be used by other committee members to facilitate the creation of copy for the locational signs and for Otocast.

- 3. Santa Fe Trail Signs project:** Allen offered to call his contacts with the NPS to find out where they are at with their administrative review of the trail route and to find out what our next steps would be when we are ready to move forward.
- 4. Meeting Time Change:** The committee decided to move its meeting times to 3:30pm moving forward.

5. **Agenda for next meeting.** The committee next meets on Thursday October 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. Members have been asked to continue to brainstorm ideas of where the city could place Interpretive signs. The committee has also been asked to think about the style of presentation we would like to use for the Otocast tour: reenactments, community members, radio voice narrator.

Chris will work on copy for all of the interpretive signs as well as citations for the information in the copy.