

HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: February 11, 2015
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
PRESENT: Lynn Englund, Merle Hanson, Andy Bloedorn, Carolyn Larson, Wes Hamilton, and Kendall Larson
ABSENT: Mary Edel Beyer, Preston Lawing, and Erik Floan
STAFF PRESENT: Mark Moeller, City Planner and Myron White, Development Coordinator
GUESTS: Greg Gaut and Michael Koop

Call to Order

Chairperson Lynn Englund called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Andy Bloedorn made a motion to approve the minutes from January 14, 2015, and the motion was seconded by Wes Hamilton.

Merle Hanson made a motion and Wes Hamilton seconded to approve minutes from the December 10, 2014, October 22, 2014 and September 25, 2014 meetings with all members present voting aye.

Continued Discussion-Preservation Education Plan Development

Lynn Englund referenced communications from Greg Gaut included in the packet which included information on grants for an improved web presence and information on the Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP).

Andy Bloedorn thought that improvements to the web site should be the top priority. He also thought outreach to property owners was critical at this juncture.

Kendall Larson thought the idea of a CAMP would be a good idea.

Mark Moeller mentioned that he had initiated membership to the National Alliance for Historic Preservation (which we had talked about during the January meeting).

Wes Hamilton talked about his interest in community outreach ideas and the importance of "localizing" historic preservation. He suggested assembling a program to tell stories to present to schools, service clubs, etc.

Mark Moeller suggested HBC might be a venue as well.

Merle Hanson expressed interest in outreach presentations.

Lynn Englund brought up the historic survey information and asked about its usefulness.

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Mark Moeller said he would make sure members got copies but cautioned that the survey information was 20 years old and there would be other historic properties that could be surveyed. He explained the last survey was done over a period of three years.

Lynn Englund mentioned that the Commission should seek to nominate historic sites and mentioned the building across the street from Kendall Lumber.

Mark Moeller stated that building was scheduled to be demolished by its owner.

Wes Hamilton asked if the HPC could intervene.

Mark Moeller questioned if there is a viable use for the structure, and mentioned that the City also had an Architectural Review Board.

Kendall asked to explore the Architectural Review Board and its mission and explore ways in which the HPC might provide input.

Kendall Larson asked if funding for web site improvements and CAMP would be different grant applications.

Mark Moeller replied that we could apply for both Legacy and CLG funding and that the Legacy grant had more flexibility in terms of timing.

Chairperson Englund asked for consensus with regard for the next steps.

Kendall Larson replied that both the web site and the CAMP should be priorities with the web site being the top priority.

Wes Hamilton wanted input on how the Commissioners might help.

Chairperson Englund asked for volunteers for sub-committees:

Web site development: Andy, Kendall

Outreach: Wes

Communication: Lynn and Carolyn

Wes Hamilton exclaimed that the HPC "Needs Energy".

Next Meeting Scheduled: 4:00 P.M. Wednesday, March 11th.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Carolyn Larson and seconded by Wes Hamilton to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with all present voting aye.



Myron White
Development Coordinator