

April 14th 2021
Historic Preservation Committee Meeting

Members present: Sharon Reeves (Chair)
Jerel McGeachy (Vice-Chair)
Teresa Davis
Jessie Bellflowers (Commissioner)
Chancer McLaughlin (Staff Liaison)
Alice Dodd
Denise Hughes-Gaskins
Don Sisko (Director of Public Works)

After the tour of the Trade Street Mill House (5:30-6:00PM) the HPC meeting was held at Parks & Rec.

-6:12 pm Call to order by Reeves

1st line subject - Davis stated that we should all have ideas for some type of Slogan for our committee at our next meeting. Floor was open, all agreed. McGeachy made a motion stating the same, 2nd by Davis. Vote: all in favor, none opposed.

-Budgetary Items

Bellflowers and Sisko gave estimates on repairs for Chapel. \$19k for Interior & \$23k for exterior. Awaiting estimates for Floor refinishing No Expenditures after June 30th. Phase II, next fiscal year, 21-22

-Discussion on Museums, Doors, water heater, period clothing.

-Hughes-Gaskins spoke on the Routing Sub-Committee (Walking trail route)

Dodd

McGeachy

Hughes-Gaskins (Davis on call if someone on the committee is unavailable)

-\$40k Proposal for Trade Street Mill House: Doors, Casings, Interior, Floors, one room (committee recommended bedroom) lighting.

Motion by Hughes-Gaskins to negotiate a proposal for purchase of 5552 Trade St (next door to Mill House) requesting Town Board to acquire the stated property. 2nd by Dodd. Vote passed.

-Discussion on \$11,500.00 ADA Compliance for Chapel sidewalk.

Motion by Reeves, 2nd by Hughes-Gaskins. Vote: All in favor, none opposed

-Discussion on ADA Compliant bathroom (adjacent to Chapel)

Davis made a Motion that ADA compliance for bathroom and all codes be up to date, removes aesthetics, included but not limited to cupolas, and buttress; and to insure ADA compliant- access to the front door of the chapel. 2nd by Dodd. Vote: All in favor, none opposed

-Discussion on member that has not been present:

Motion was made by Reeves that Jane contact Tim Whitted concerning his attendance and intent to serve on the committee. McGeachy then stated that before we move forward, we should at least reach out. Discussion concerning that we never get response from text. Mc Geachy stated that the contact number listed is land-line, not cell. Some members have been sending text messages to landline, not cell phone. Davis stated that Whitted is on the email list and should be receiving information. Reeves also stated that in the past, members not attending regular meetings were contacted by town officials before dismissal action was taken. Inactive members would also be given the opportunity to resign. McGeachy stated this should be no different. Davis asked Bellflowers what is policy in this situation. Bellflowers stated that after three meetings missed, it is grounds for dismissal; however, the committee can not dismiss a member, but can request the town board to dismiss a member. Also, it is customary to contact the member in question to see what is going on. After much discussion, the motion died. A 2nd was never made, therefore a vote was never taken. McGeachy also stated that he will contact the member in question and we should not be so quick to dismiss a member especially when we do not have members lining up to join. Reeves stated she would contact Jane and the member in question.

Next meeting will be May 12th 2021 @ 6pm
Parks & Rec
Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm
Minutes Submitted by Jerel McGeachy