

Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

City Hall Conference Room
407 E. Laurel Ave.
Foley, Alabama

February 13, 2018
1:00 p.m.

I. Call to order

Chairman Shanks called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

II. Roll call

Members present were: Justin Shanks, Pat Davis, JaNay Dawson, Kathie LeDrew, and Jack Purser. Absent members were: Randy Arp and Perry Wilbourne. Staff present were: Chuck Lay, Chief Building Inspector; Miriam Boutwell, City Planner; and Amanda Cole, Recording Secretary

III. Approval of Minutes

- Approve December 12, 2017 minutes as published

Commissioner Dawson made a motion to approve the December 12, 2017 meeting minutes as published. Vice-Chairman LeDrew seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted aye.

Motion to approve the December 12, 2017 meeting minutes as published passes.

IV. Staff Approvals

- Highlight Electronic Display/Napa Auto Parts
203 S. McKenzie St.
Local District-Non-Contributing
 - a. Replace existing signage

Mr. Chuck Lay stated that the signs will match the existing signs in size and appearance and a staff approval was done.

- City of Foley
118 W. Laurel Ave.
National District-Contributing
 - a. Request to repaint a door, and trim around windows and doors.

Mr. Chuck Lay stated that the painting would be over existing painted surfaces and that the color is from a historical palette. A staff approval was done.

V. New Business

- Places of Peril Application/Update
Hamburg Building
111 E. Rose Ave.

Commissioner Dawson stated that the Places of Peril application was on the council agenda the night before and that the council members were very receptive to the idea.

Commissioner Dawson stated that the first phase of clearing out, cleaning up, and securing the building was approved.

Miriam Boutwell stated that the next thing that had to be done was to finish the application and attach the resolution from the council meeting with it.

There was discussion about the contacts that could be listed on the bottom of the Places on Peril application. The Think Tank Group, the Hamburg Family, the Historic Commission itself were all brought up.

Chairman Shanks asked if there were any agricultural organizations in the area.

Commissioner Dawson stated that she thought there were but we would have to research what they are.

Commissioner Dawson stated that we needed to get the application in as soon as we could because they only accept a certain number of applications per year for the program.

Ms. Boutwell stated that she would fill out and send the application. Chairman Dawson stated that she had some history from the family that could be used for the narrative part of the application.

Discussion about the original roof on the building being metal or not was brought up.

Chairman Shanks stated that we might just have to speculate on whether or not it was metal but if we could find the original copies of pictures that would make it easier.

There was discussion on whether other properties would be a good candidate for the Places in Peril program.

Chairman Shanks asked if it would be possible to have a committee just for that cause.

Miriam Boutwell stated that a committee like that may be considered a non-profit group but that we would have to do more research on that topic.

Commissioner Purser stated that work to the Hamburg potato shed has come up before and wanted to know what was done with those ideas.

Chuck Lay stated that those ideas didn't go through.

Commissioner Purser stated that he thought that they may have left items or unfinished work inside.

Chuck Lay stated that nothing ever came of that project so there would have been no work done inside.

Commissioner Dawson made a motion to complete and send in the Places in Peril application. Commissioner Purser seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted aye.

Motion to complete and send in the Places in Peril application passes.

Commissioner Dawson stated that the application does say that it can be emailed in PDF form.

Chairman Shanks asked about the status of the Design Guidelines.

Miriam Boutwell stated that the Design Guidelines would probably be done at the June meeting along with the new Historic Structure Survey.

Other Discussion:

Pat Davis mentioned a house on W. Laurel that is for sale. It is non-contributing right now but it was contributing in the past. Ms. Boutwell stated that Stephen McNair could look at this building during the Historic Structure Survey.

VI. Adjournment

Commissioner Purser mad a motion to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Dawson seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted aye.