

Historical Commission Minutes

City of Foley Council Chambers

407 E. Laurel Ave.

Foley, Alabama

January 3, 2023

1:00 p.m.

I. Call to order

Chairman JaNay Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

II. Roll call

Members present were: Chad Watkins, Jerry Morrison, JaNay Dawson, Donna Turbyfill and Kathie LeDrew. Kim Ward joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m. absent member was John Koniar. Staff present were: Chuck Lay, Chief Building Inspector; Eden Lapham, Planner 1 and Melissa Ringler, Recording Secretary.

III. Approval of Minutes

- Approve December 6, 2022 minutes as published

Commissioner LeDrew made a motion to approve the December 6, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted aye.

Motion to approve the December 6, 2022 meeting minutes passes.

IV. New Business

- City of Foley/Main Street
100 W. Laurel Ave. / Cat Alley
National District- Non-Contributing
 - a. Request to add 7 murals

Mrs. Darrelyn Dunmore stated a draft of the proposed mural has been provided to the Commissioners and staff. She explained a committee made up of various other board members will also be reviewing the mural. She stated the draft is 80 to 95% complete.

Chairman Dawson stated at some point in a previous meeting the rollercoaster being included in the mural was discussed. She explained her recollection was the art was to be more about downtown Foley and the roller coaster draws attention to outside the downtown area.

Mrs. Dunmoore explained her understanding is the mural was to consist of activities that are available in Foley with the primary focus being on the downtown area. She stated she feels the majority of the items in the mural are about downtown. She explained the committee will meet next week and there could possibly be modification to the renderings. She stated the artists will be painting the mural on canvas that will be stretched and placed inside seven aluminum frames.

Chairman Dawson asked if the murals will be abstract.

Mrs. Dunmoore explained the murals will not be abstract. She stated the artist will be brightening up the mural with more depth, shading and richness. She explained the artist will draw out the design and it will be painted by school children with the artist doing touch ups.

Commissioner Morrison asked if prior to installation the commission would be allowed to review the finished product.

Mrs. Dunmoore stated the approval will have to be given before funds are spent on the mural.

Commissioner Turbyfill stated she likes the size and composition of the proposed mural.

Mrs. Dunmoore stated the artist is experienced and does quality work.

Commissioner Turbyfill made a motion to approve the requested certificate of appropriateness with allowable minor adjustments. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. All members voted aye.

Motion to approve the requested certificate of appropriateness with allowable minor adjustments passes.

V. Monthly Discussion

- Mark Wight
Update on 232 & 118 W. Laurel Ave. buildings

Mr. Chuck Lay stated Mr. Mark Wright was unable to attend the meeting. He explained he has been working with the contractor for the buildings and they should have some items for review on the next agenda.

Commissioner Turbyfill stated she is looking forward to seeing the plans for the new library that is being built near the post office.

Mrs. Dunmoore welcomed everyone to attend the ribbon cutting for the new park located on Pine Street on January 11 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Dawson stated paper copies of the mural panels could be printed in black and white for coloring and left for children at the train station or welcome center. She explained T-shirts could be made with a screen print of the mural panels. She stated a different shirt/panel could be available every season.

VI. Adjournment

Commissioner Morrison made a motion to adjourn at 1:21 p.m. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All members voted aye.

Motion to adjourn at 1:21 p.m. passes.