

Cherokee City Hall

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Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 2:08 PM
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Subject: CHPC - Minutes of Meeting July 16, 2018

August 18, 2018

Greetings, Members of the Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission.

Here are the minutes of our meeting held on Monday, July 16, 2018 at the Historic Cherokee Depot. The minutes are based on notes made by me at the meeting.

Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes of Meeting at Cherokee Depot, Monday July 16, 2018

Commissioners present: Adamson, Wilberding, Samsel, Snapp, Stroh Messerole, and Greenwood.

Commissioners absent: Schumacher, Busch-Mott

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Adamson at 5:15 p.m.
2. Minutes of the meeting of June 12, 2018 reviewed and approved on motion by Stroh Messerole and second by Greenwood. All ayes.
3. The Commission accepted the resignation of Janice Woodall from the Commission due to health reasons and expressed thanks for her service on the Commission. Discussed posting advertisements for a prospective new member.
4. Jim Adamson and John Snapp gave an update on sales of the Cherokee Historic & Architectural Survey Report Book. 165 books sold - 20 on hand. The Cherokee Friends of Historic Preservation account balance is currently \$1,025.46 after payment to Steve Thomas of \$500.00 and after paying the invoice for the last order which we resolved paying \$856.00 instead of the invoice of \$1,036.41.
5. Megan Stroh Messerole, Jim Adamson, and John Snapp reported on the Historic Resource Development Program (HRDP) grant application submitted online by Megan requesting funds to update ISIF's & prepare nominations for 6 residential properties in Cherokee to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The total project cost is estimated at \$11,614.00. The Commission received the full grant request of \$7,742.00. Richard Carlson, Architectural Historian, University of Iowa has been hired to update the ISIF's and prepare the nominations. A conference call will be held in the near future with Krista Vanderpol (SHPO), Commission work group members, and Richard Carlson to discuss start up procedures. Adamson advised that R. J. Thomas Manufacturing had upped their commitment to the Project to \$1,000.00.

6. CDBG Facade Project - Close out for this Project and retainage release was approved at the City Council meeting on Tuesday June 12, 2018.
7. Wilson School Apartments - All resolutions regarding developmental agreements with Shawn Foutch were approved at the City Council meeting on Tuesday June 12, 2018. Brief discussion.
8. Lewis Hotel - Renovation under way. The roof appears to be done and the Eastside and rear of the building are being prepped for cladding of some type.
9. Cookies Tap - Demolition of the building complete. Rear of the lot to be parking for Loughlin's Loft Apartments and the front of the lot to be developed as an open space event venue with a stage for the Book Vine and community use. Adamson displayed freight bills from the Illinois Central RR to Farr Cafe that had been found in the building prior to it being demolished. Sanford Museum and the Cherokee Area Archives also have copies of invoices from local businesses of that era for goods and supplies delivered to Farr Cafe.
10. Brummer Building - Nothing new to report.
11. Preservation Iowa Summit 2018 & National Alliance Preservation Conference in Des Moines July 2018. Adamson, Snapp, and Stroh Messerole (speaker) indicated they will be attending.
12. Mick Samsel, Busch-Mott, Stroh Messerole and Snapp reported on progress of the Facebook page "Cherokee History" sponsored by our Commission. There has been a good response to it from the public. Stroh Messerole said she would post the advertisement for the vacant Commissioner position on the page.
13. Jim Adamson asked if the Commission was again agreeable to share space with the Depot Renovation, Inc. group at the Cherokee County Fair. There were date conflicts with the Preservation Iowa Summit but Greenwood and Wilberding indicated they could assist.
14. Bills presented: none.
15. Cherokee Community Foundation balance \$1,506.53.
16. GAR Hall/Seventh Day Adventist/First Baptist Church - 110 Union Street. Brief discussion. No progress in plans to move or renovate the building at this time.
17. Other items not on the agenda - A brief discussion of the request from Lee Ann Radek with Preservation Iowa for an update on the status of buildings that our Commission has nominated to Preservation Iowa's Most Endangered Properties List - namely the Wade & Donohoe buildings at MHI plus Cookie's Tap and Wilson School. We have learned that the Wade building is on Iowa's Draft Fiscal Year 2018 Infrastructure Five Year Plan for demolition. Snapp and Samsel will response to Lee Ann Radek with current status of these buildings.

Jim Adamson shared with the Commission a donation of \$70.00 from Marlene Lundsgaard as a memorial in honor of her late husband, Conrad Lundsgaard. It will be deposited in our account at the Cherokee Community Foundation for a future historic preservation project.

The Commission reviewed the Martin Treptow Memorial Proclamation issued jointly by the Mayors of Cherokee, IA and Bloomer, WI. Busch-Mott, Samsel, Snapp, Bob Spurlock, and Sam Kooiker all did research for the Proclamation and history of Martin Treptow's life and wartime service.

John Loughlin has indicated that he would like to have his two Main Street buildings added to the Cherokee Historic Commercial District if possible. They were deemed not eligible at the time the District was added because the facades were entirely encased in a stucco covering which has since been removed. Tabled for further discussion.

Next joint Historic Preservation Commission gathering for LeMars, Sioux City, and Cherokee Commissions to be on a Tuesday in October in LeMars to be determined.

18. Next Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 2018, at 5:15 p.m. at the Historic Cherokee Depot.

19. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m on motion by Stroh Messerole, second by Wilberding. All ayes.

John R. Snapp, Secretary

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