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**Sent:** Monday, December 10, 2018 6:00 PM  
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**Subject:** CHPC Minutes of Meeting November 19, 2019

December 9, 2018

Greetings, Members of the Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission.

Here are the minutes of our meeting held on Tuesday, November 19, 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, Tuesday November 19, 2018**

Commissioners present: Adamson, Busch-Mott, Samsel, Snapp, Stroh Messerole, Wilberding, McLaren, and Greenwood.

Commissioners absent: Schumacher.

Guests: Sam Kooiker

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Adamson at 5:15 p.m.
2. Minutes of the meeting of October 16, 2018 reviewed and approved on motion by Busch-Mott and second by Snapp. All ayes.
3. City Administrator, Sam Kooiker, attended the meeting as a guest and the Commission thanked him for his leadership and assistance in publicizing and promoting the economic and cultural value of the historic buildings in our community both in the Commercial Historic District but also in our residential neighborhoods. The Commission especially thanked him for his oversight of the recent Downtown Facade Project. Sam will be leaving his position in early December to accept the City Manager's job in Sheldon, IA. Sam made the following comments: Wilson School Apartments - The City's paperwork is done. Shawn Foutch to take possession after the first of the year and work could begin shortly thereafter. Brummer Building - brief comments about a local party that is interested in the building. [MartinTreptow.com](http://MartinTreptow.com) - Sam indicated that he owns the domain name and has offered it to Bob Spurlock for his use in promoting his forthcoming book. Sam also inquired if our Commission would consider asking the School District to name the proposed new Cherokee elementary school in honor of Guy M. Gillette.
4. Adamson and Snapp reported on the Cherokee Historic & Architectural Reconnaissance Survey Report book sales. 170 books have been sold and approximately 20 left on hand. Balance in the Cherokee Friends of Historic Preservation account is \$1,090.46 after a \$25.00 donation from Bev Zeiman. The Commission decided to pay another \$500.00 to Steve Thomas on the outstanding loan from Thomas Mfg. that supported the Project leaving a balance of \$500.00.
5. Megan Stroh Messerole, Jim Adamson, Barb Busch-Mott and John Snapp again reported on the progress of the Historic Resource Development Program (HRDP) grant to update ISIF's & prepare nominations for 4 residential properties and 2 business buildings in Cherokee to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Current buildings in the Project are the Seaman House, the Rodman/Thomas House, the Brummer House, and the Guy M. Gillette House plus the John Loughlin business buildings at 204 & 206 W. Main to be added as contributing buildings to the Cherokee Downtown Historic District. Richard Carlson, Architectural

Historian, University of Iowa has some concerns that the Rodman/Thomas and the business building at 204 W. Main may have some integrity issues that may impede nomination. Richard Carlson is currently working on drafts for Commission review and then submission to SHPO for review. Reminder that the Commission needs to collect the contributions from the property owners by year end. Megan again reminded members to keep track of their time & mileage for our "in-kind" cost share.

6. First Baptist Church/GAR Hall/Seventh Day Adventist Church, & Lewis Hotel - nothing new to report.

7. A brief discussion of the Regional Joint Heritage Tourism Meeting of the Cherokee, LeMars, and Sioux City Historic Preservation Commissions that was attended by Cherokee commissioners Adamson, Snapp, Busch-Mott, McLaren, Schumacher, and Wilberding on October 23rd in LeMars, IA at the 4 Brothers restaurant. A total of 21 commissioners were in attendance. Next meeting to be on a Tuesday in January in Sioux City.

8. Cherokee Community Foundation balance \$5,447.53 (this includes one half the proceeds from the HRDP grant for the 6 properties' nomination to NRHP). No bills submitted for payment.

9. Most Endangered Properties - the old post office was discussed as a possible nomination for this year's list. Adamson & Snapp indicated that they still needed to visit with Cherokee State Bank President Curt Johnson about the property.

10. Next regular Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2018, at 5:15 p.m. at the Historic Cherokee Depot.

11. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m on motion by Snapp, second by Busch-Mott. All ayes.

John R. Snapp, Secretary

Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission