

## **Cherokee City Hall**

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**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2019 10:08 PM  
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**Subject:** Minutes CHPC Meeting May 21, 2019  
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June 16, 2019

Greetings, Members of the Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission.

Here are the minutes of our meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 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 May 21, 2019**

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

Commissioners absent: None.

Guests: Angie & Russ Becker, Lon & Jeri Terry, Jim Lewellan, and Mayor Craig Schmidt

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Adamson at 5:15 p.m.
2. Minutes of the meeting of April 23, 2019 reviewed, corrected, and approved on motion by Greenwood and second by Busch Mott. All ayes.
3. The Commission reviewed and commented on the proposed nomination of three residential properties within the jurisdiction of the Cherokee Historic Preservation Commission to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The three properties are the Boughton, Lemuel C. & Mary (Vaughn) House at 736 W. Cedar; the Gillette, Guy M. & Rose (Freeman) House at 111 N. 11th Street; and the Seaman, Roy C. & Lena (Johnson) House at 400 Magnetic Ave. Chairman Adamson explained the nomination process and reviewed the written input from Richard Carlson, Architectural Historian, and from Paula Mohr, CLG Co-ordinator, SHPO. Comments from the commissioners and from the homeowners present saying that they were thankful for the additional history they had learned about their homes and the expertise of the nomination forms. Snapp then made a motion, seconded by McLaren the our Commission recommend that all three properties should be listed on the NRHP and this recommendation be forwarded to the State Nominating Commission. All ayes.
4. Cherokee Historic & Architectural Reconnaissance Survey Report book sales. 175 books have been sold and approximately 15 left on hand.
5. Regional Joint Heritage Tourism Meeting of the Cherokee, LeMars, and Sioux City Historic Preservation Commissions. Next meeting in Sioux City not scheduled yet. Bill Burroughs will co-ordinate. Monona County HPC may also attend.
6. Commissioners reviewed the May Historic Preservation Week activities. All events were well attended which were the Chamber Coffee at the Depot on April 26 with proclamation by Mayor Schmidt. The program on the six National Register of Historic Places nominations at the Sanford Museum on April 29 led by Megan Stroh Messerole. The art wall at the Sanford Museum featuring the six nominations the entire month of May. The archaeological tour to Pilot Rock on May 1st led by Megan Stroh Messerole. On May 2nd the Sanford Museum hosted a program on the "Orphan Train". Bob Spurlock gave a presentation on his forthcoming book

about Martin Treplew on May 4th at the Sanford Museum. The "Lady Next Door" B&B had an open house on both May 4th & 5th and was awarded our historical preservation award. Lily of Valley schoolhouse was open on May 5th from 2-4 pm. Adamson Realty sponsored a scavenger hunt with a historical theme. Posters prepared by Mick Samsel were distributed for display in Cherokee's historic downtown buildings.

7. Wilson School - Samsel reported that Shawn Foutch may be in Cherokee on the following week on his continuing attempt to acquire the building so that the Wilson Apartments project can proceed.  
Brummer building - nothing new to report.

8. Commissioners were reminded that the Preserve Iowa Summit will be held in Newton, IA on June 6-8. Members urged to attend if possible. Snapp, Adamson, and Busch-Mott said they will be attending. John Snapp will receive the Preservationist of the Year award at 1:00 p.m. on June 6th.

9. Cherokee Community Foundation balance (CHPC) \$7,791.94 (this includes one half the proceeds from the HRDP grant for the property owners' nomination to NRHP and the grant matches from the 6 property owners). Friends of Historic Cherokee balance - \$1,275.46. Bills submitted for payment - none. Mick Samsel will submit a bill at next meeting for materials used for Preservation Week.

10. Items not on the agenda: Discussed the need to announce to the public and past applicants the vacancy on the Commission. General discussion. Also additional comments on the Old Post Office by Mayor Schmidt and Mick Samsel. Note that Public Library and Sanford Museum are sponsoring upcoming events at the Museum and a history walk for the downtown business district. Snapp to assist with the history walk.

11. Next regular Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. at the Historic Cherokee Depot.

12. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. on motion by Stroh Messerole, second by McLaren. All ayes.

John R. Snapp, Chairman