

**Dayton Historic Preservation Committee
Minutes of meeting of May 6, 2015**

Present: Judy Gerrard, Kelly Haverkate, Martha Goodrich & Dave Hargett

Absent: Wayne Herring

Staff: Debra Lien

Chair Judy Gerrard opened the meeting at 6:36 pm. There were no changes to the agenda.

Approval of minutes of meeting of April 1, 2015

Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes as written; the motion was seconded by Martha, and was passed unanimously, 4-0.

Grant Update

We got approval, but there is nothing to report otherwise.

Other business

Kelly reported on an endangered landmark in Dayton. Judy suggested we could have Paul Falsetto do his project on the old school building located on 4th St. Kelly will follow-up on this with the owner.

Kelly said we could submit a request to Restore Oregon for technical assistance. Maybe the City could purchase the building. Kelly said she will find out more about it.

Kelly said if it is for sale, an appraisal and assessment should be done and then approach the City and explore avenues available.

Judy talked about a Supreme Court case where Restore Oregon challenged an appeals court decision regarding owner consent for demolition of historic properties.

Judy said the challenge is if after everyone being legally and duly notified, if new owners can say I don't want my property on the list anymore. It was suggested to send the information to the mayor for an official City response and ask Scott to talk to her about this if the property owner is interested in selling. Judy said this ruling could impair our abilities to plan for and provide resources for our historic properties.

Debra asked if this included properties on the National Register or just local lists. We could ask Brandon if the local lists include the National Register.

We could make a list of historic properties and scan the historic properties addendum to the HPC.

The fountain should be done in time for the first Friday night event.

We have 18 months to finish the mitigation project. Some City Councilors are interested, but they have not decided how they want to proceed.

Judy thinks we need to be prepared before people go out to take the pictures. She understood the mitigation project was updating the current pictures and perhaps identifying new candidates for nomination.

Kelly asked if there were any updates about the Brewer house at 407 Church St. Kelly asked if it goes back on the market, are realtors required to disclose that to the buyers. Dave presented a historic property addendum that realtors have buyers' sign, if they know the property is historic.

We could share information about historic properties with realtors when they see for sale signs on historic properties.

There was a discussion about whether the Ellis House on Ash St. is on the National Register, which led to a discussion about accessory dwellings.

There will be no meeting in June.

Adjournment

Kelly made a motion, seconded by Martha to adjourn, which was passed unanimously, 4-0, at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Lien
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