

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING – Tuesday, March 20, 2018

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Aledo met in open session in the City Council chambers of the City Hall building on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Chairman RONN DILLAVOU called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Roll was called whereupon the following committee members answered present: KEITH CHANDLER, KEITH CLARK, RONN DILLVAOU, JIM HOLMES, and PEGGY SCRANTON. Committee members GERROD ANDRESEN and VERLA THORNTON were excused. Also in attendance were Mayor of Aledo CHRIS HAGLOCH, City Administrator ERIN KNACKSTEDT, and Economic Development Coordinator TARAH SIPES.

Approval of Minutes – Holmes made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Scranton gave the second – the minutes of the October meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business:

RMA Property Memorial Update – City Staff and Mayor Hagloch met with Ben Murphy of Bi-State Masonry to discuss plans for the memorial project. Murphy has seen the materials salvaged from the buildings and is working to formulate plans for the site. HPC is on board with the ideas staff presented. Potential uses for the remainder of the land were discussed. KNACKSTEDT is trying to make contact with an arborist to come to town to evaluate the Roosevelt Oak and the Camperdown Elm at Central Park to ensure both trees are properly evaluated and cared for.

Committee Reports:

National Register District Sub-Committee - No Report

Public Awareness Sub-Committee – Chairman DILLAVOU suggested that a presentation to City Council should be scheduled on a slow council meeting night in the near future.

Technical Assistance Sub-Committee – No Report

Property/Building Inventory Sub-Committee – CHANDLER found a booklet from the centennial of the farm bureau and brought it to SIPES at City Hall to be included in our information files. In the booklet the Farm Bureau building and its history are discussed. Other historical agricultural buildings are discussed as well. The Fair Board contacted CHANDLER about information on the historic buildings. CHANDLER and SIPES supplied them with the National Register listing completed by John Malone.

Monument Park Sub-Committee – KNACKSTEDT reported that we are still waiting on the limestone quarry to open in order for Marion Monument Company to secure a quote on the limestone that is required to complete the project. If the quote comes back too high to finish the work we will discuss options for moving the project forward.

New Business:

KNACKSTEDT brought up the idea of moving to a quarterly meeting. The Commission must meet a minimum of one time a year. The Commission will meet in April and re-visit the topic.

CHANDLER, SCRANTON, and THOMPSON will reach the end of their term in May. CHANDLER and SCRANTON would like to step off the Commission.

Next Meeting: April 17 at 6:45pm

Adjournment: SCRANTON made a motion to adjourn the meeting, HOLMES gave a second – a voice vote approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm.