

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting – January 15, 2019

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Aledo met in Open Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall building on January 15, 2019. Chairman RONN DILLAVOU called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. The roll was called, whereupon the following commission members answered present:

Commission Members RONN DILLAVOU, JIM HOLMES, MARY RILLIE, and VERLA THOMPSON were present. Members GERROD ANDRESEN was excused. Members KEITH CLARK and SONJIA FELL were absent.

Also present were CHRIS HAGLOCH, Mayor, and JAROD DALE, City Clerk.

Minutes:

Motion made by VERLA THOMPSON and seconded by MARY RILLIE to approve the meeting minutes of 10/16/2018. A Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement.

Old Business:

DILLAVOU reported Tarah Sipes to continue as the Historic Preservation Commission Liaison. Ms. Sipes to be invited to the April, 2019 HPC meeting.

Monument Park: MAYOR Hagloch reported the monument park benches were ordered in F/Y18 and the monument was cleaned by Tony Tharp, Northwest Restoration Co. The Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for F/Y 19 includes continued restoration of the monument with budgeted funds in the amount of \$10,000. CITY CLERK Dale reported the benches arrived on 1/14/19. A design layout plan, for at least four (4) benches, to be brought back before HPC in spring, 2019. Monument base restoration proposals to also be reviewed at the same time.

DILLAVOU reported HPC to continue with plans regarding plaques for the site as well.

Committee Reports: New committee assignments to be assigned at the April meeting.

New Business: MAYOR Hagloch reported the City has been in recent talks with an economic development consultant group, 353 Court, LLC. Todd Thompson and Erik Reader, has presented their proposal before the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Committee in November, 2018 and again on January 14th, 2019. The TIF Committee has made a recommendation to the City Council for final approval.

MAYOR reported 353 specialize in developing or redeveloping downtown historic business districts. 353 has worked in Pekin, IL., and Havana, IL. The group has met with City staff several times over the past six (6) months. Part of the services would include meeting downtown businesses weekly, assist in business retention and expansion, grant assistance, and conduct monthly meeting with all downtown business owners, too. 353 would also work with HPC as necessary. Further information to follow at a later date.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 16th, 2019 at 6:30 o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Adjournment:

Motion made by JIM HOLMES and seconded by VERLA THOMPSON to adjourn the Historic Preservation Commission Meeting. Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 P.M.