

Montevallo Historical Preservation Commission
April 5, 2016
Minutes

Members present: J. Lott, B. McClanahan, M. Nix, R. Nix and J. Seaman

Special Guest: S. Valedus

Meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m.

Old Business

The minutes from the February 2, 2016 meeting were read. A motion was made by Dr. Lott to accept the minutes as presented; R. Nix seconded; motion passed.

J. Seaman reported that the Commission has a balance of \$1552.00 in the J.A. Brown Memorial Fund.

Heritage Park Update: J. Seaman reported that the HPC has been meeting most every week. A landscape architect will be meeting with the committee soon. A performance stage is being discussed along with a water feature for the park.

New Business

Commission members discussed the fact that the Historical Design Review Committee appointed by Mayor Cost has failed to be called for a meeting even though projects involving historical buildings are currently in different levels of repair and renovation. A motion was made by B. McClanahan for the MHPC to recommend that, if Sharman Brooks does not call a meeting of this committee and actively engage in discussion and review of projects within the Downtown Historic District by April 30th, 2016, that Ms. Brooks be dismissed from her position and a more interested and qualified person replace her; motion seconded by J. Lott; vote unanimous; motion passed.

The Commission discussed the fact that there are many neon flashing signs being placed on storefronts in the Downtown Historic District. This appears to be in conflict with current city ordinances. R. Nix will mention this in the next Planning and Zoning Committee meeting.

R. Nix will speak with H. Lehman regarding the city's \$700 matching contribution that is required to receive the \$11,000.00 grant.

It has come to the attention of Commission members that plans are still in place to demolish Jeter Hall. S. Valedus spoke with Mary Shell regarding the issue of federal funds being used to

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tear down a building that is currently on the National Historic Register. Ms. Shell didn't know if that could be an issue but would check on it.

A motion to adjourn was made by R. Nix; M. Nix seconded; motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.