

Unapproved Minutes
Historical Preservation Commission
Wednesday March 3, 2021 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Vermillion Historical Preservation Commission was called to order via Zoom on March 3, 2021 at 9:01 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Cyndy Chaney, Susan Keith Gray, Jim Wilson, William Dendinger

Absent: Ed Gerrish, Dietrik Vanderhill

Staff present: James Purdy, Assistant City Manager; Jose Dominguez, City Engineer; John Prescott, City Manager

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Dendinger moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Wilson. Roll call: Chaney- Y, Wilson-Y, Keith Gray-Y, Dendinger-Y. The motion carried.

3. Approval of the Minutes

a. February 3, 2021

Dendinger moved that minutes be adopted, seconded by Wilson. Roll call: Chaney- Y, Wilson-Y, Keith Gray-Y, Dendinger-Y. The motion carried.

4. Visitors to be Heard

5. Old Business

5a. City staff reported that the City has received one expression of interest form thus far. The Council will be making the appointment at the upcoming March 15 council meeting.

5b. Wilson has been discussing workshops with several consultants via email. One consultant has mentioned \$7-800 as a cost. The Commission discussed whether this workshop would take place in person or via zoom. A suggested location would be the movie theatre which could fit 30-35 socially distanced participants. The Commission will propose to use all remaining funds from the basic grant on workshops. The money left over from the supplemental fund is proposed to be used for an earnest payment to ML Dennis Consulting on the new historic district survey project. Wilson will provide City staff with more information on the cost and content of the workshop, which staff will provide to the State Historic Preservation Office along with a revised budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

6. New Business

6a. The commission will request \$9,000 supplemental towards the historic district survey project, and the \$2,000 basic funds could be used for workshops or other projects. The also discussed hiring a student to conduct research or assist with updating the forest avenue book. The Commission would also like to start planning for

the Prentis Park celebration birthday celebration. The money for that project would likely be requested in the 2022-2023 fiscal year grant. The Commission also discussed an update of the walking tour brochure.

In other notes, Wilson stated that at the County Commissioners meeting, they noted planning to have a bond issue in June in regards to the jail/courthouse.

7. Adjourn

Moved by Dendinger to adjourn, seconded by Chaney. Chaney- Y, Wilson-Y, Keith Gray-Y, Dendinger-Y. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:57.

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