

Historic Preservation District Commission

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Call to order

Ms. Haveman called the meeting to order .

Present: Commissioners: Ed Kimball, Susan Danielson, Jeff Bernard, Ann Haveman, Mike Pulaski
Administrator: Louiseette Kidd; and Secretary: Kathy Reeves

Approval of Minutes

Jan. 16, 2014 minutes: Mr. Bernard asked for clarification of the Administrator’s report. Ms. Kidd stated that she was reporting the actions of the Design Review Committee and would make the status clear for each case. Mr. Bernard also asked that the minutes reflect that Mr. Farnet was interested in being a part of the Design Review Committee, not the Historic Commission. Mr. Bernard moved to approve the minutes with these corrections, Ms. Danielson seconded, and the motion was carried.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

A. Administrator’s Report: Ms. Kidd stated that Mr. Farnet would be a part of the Design Review Committee. The Committee had also met with the URS group who were developing guidelines for the elevation of historic structures. They had spent time touring old Mandeville.

Ms. Kidd reported that there were two (2) Certificates of Appropriateness. 132 Coffee- was a deck added to the back of the house, and 1811 Montgomery that was an addition and renovation. She also stated that Design Review would be meeting next Wednesday , February 22nd at 10am. The new construction cases would be Villere and Lamarque, 435 Marigny, and 818 Adair. Also an elevation case at 117/119 Girod, and a deck with storage at 1707 Claiborne.

Reports of Special Committees

A. Guideline’s Committee: Mr. Bernard stated that he and Becky Rohrbough were very close to having the draft of the guidelines complete. He felt that the next step would be to get Design Review’s input. Ms. Kidd said that if the Commission could get a copy of the draft they could review it and make comments before the next meeting.

Unfinished Business

There is nothing more at this time.

New Business

A. Discussion of Historic District street signage: Ms. Haveman suggested that all the streets in the Historic District be noted. All the Commissioners agreed that this would be a great idea. Ms. Kidd said this could be done in phases over the next couple of years. It would have to be determined how many signs were needed and what the cost would be. Ms. Haveman asked for a motion to resolve to ask the City Council to budget for this project. Mr. Bernard made the motion and Mr. Kimball seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Discussion of letter to property owners listed on the survey: Ms. Haveman suggested a “Welcome to the Historic District” letter be sent to new owners of homes on the Sally Reeves survey. She stated that it would be good PR for the District and give the homeowners information on tax credits and such. Mr. Bernard thought that it was a great idea and that maybe it could include current owners as well. Ms. Haveman said she would continue to work on the letter.

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C. Discussion on potential changes to the Historic Ordinance 12-32: Mr. Pulaski stated that his original resolution was maybe too drastic . Ms. Kidd said that she would set up another meeting with the City Attorney , Mr. Deano, to go over the resolution. Mr.Pulaski and Ms. Haveman said that they were available to attend.

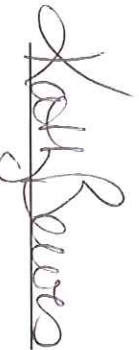
Announcements

Ms. Haveman confirmed that the next meeting was March 20th at 6:30pm. She also stated that she would be out of the country. Ms. Kidd said that the vice chairman, Mr.Pulaski would take over the meeting.

Ms. Haveman reported that the Historic Camp she, Mr. Kimball and Mr. Bernard attended was very enlightening . She also commented attending the Camp would count for the educational requirement for the CLG.

Adjournment

Mr. Kimball moved to adjourn, Mr. Pulaski seconded. The meeting was adjourned.



Kathy Reeves, Secretary



Ann Haveman, Chairman