

1. Call Meeting To Order

2. Public Participation

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Public comments must comply with all adopted rules and be limited to 5 minutes or less. The acting secretary or a designee will arrange to have one email or voicemail per person presented for up to five minutes each. Web conference participants should ask to be recognized for public comment by using the chat function.

Access to City Hall and the Council Chambers will not be permitted. Please provide any comments in one of the available means listed above.

3. Meeting Minute Approval

3.A. February 4, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Documents:

[2.4.20 HPC MEETING MINUTES.PDF](#)

3.B. April 21, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Documents:

[4.21.20 HPC MEETING MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. Old Business

Story Plaque QR Codes

Replacement brochure holders for historic district signs

Community Outreach
-Website Update

Historic Districts "Watchdog Report"

5. New Business

5.A. Certified Local Government Grant

6. Meeting Adjournment

Monticello Historic Preservation Commission
February 4, 2020

The Monticello Historic Preservation Commission met Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. at the Monticello Municipal Building, 210 N. Hamilton Street, Monticello, IL 61856.

Members present: Keddy Hutson, Chad Johnson, Louanna Miller, Maynard Suhre, and Judy Greene.

Chairman Hutson called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. The minutes of the January 7, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Maynard, seconded by Chad, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Chad will contact Sheriff Hunt as to the placement of the Replacement Brochure Holder for the historic district sign on the square.

An HPC Sitemap was presented and, after review, motion was made by Louanna, seconded by Maynard, to approve the format as created and submitted. Motion carried.

The "Application for Historic Landmark Designation" was approved in concept. Prior to adoption it was decided to review whether an insurance clause should be included.

Watchdog report: streetscape railings have been installed on South Washington Street.

No further business. Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the Monticello Municipal Building in order to make plans for a proposed Workshop State Meeting.

Judy Greene, Secretary

Monticello Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes April 21, 2020

The Monticello Historic Preservation Commission met via web-conference on Tuesday, April 21st, 2020 at 4:00pm.

Members present: Keddy Hutson, Laura Martin, Judy Greene, Louanna Miller, Maynard Suhre, Ryan Tracy.

Member Absent: Chad Johnson

Also present: Mayor Larry Stoner, Alderman Brock Callie McFarland, Terry Summers, Frank Butterfield

Chairman Hutson called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. He welcomed Mayor Stoner, Alderman Brock, Mr. Summers, and Frank Butterfield with Landmarks Illinois to the meeting. Mr. Hutson stated the purpose of the Monticello Historic Preservation Commission is to protect and enhance local resources, as well as education on the importance of them. There are three national historic districts; Courthouse Square in downtown, N. State Street, and S. Charter Street. Mr. Hutson felt the city's direction to relocate the city hall and police department to North State Street in the former doctor's building, would have adverse effects on both the Courthouse Square and North State Street historic district.

City Administrator Summers provided a background of the project. The city has evaluated and addressed space needs over the last few years, with expansion of the Public Works Department being the most recent remedy. The public safety departments (police and fire), as well as the municipal operations (city hall) are currently pressed for space, and acquisition and moving to 1109 N. State Street would address these. The City Council approved a letter of intent with Kirby Medical Center on March 9, 2020, authorized a feasibility study to evaluate the mechanical and environmental statuses of the buildings on April 13, 2020.

Chairman Hutson introduced his background as an architect and planner, who has provided pro bono work for the community. He feels the proposed location is inconsistent with good planning practice. The City needs to maintain vitality in the urban core and not introduce inconsistent uses in the historic district. North State Street provides a "linear park" and is a well-preserved historic district.

Commissioners Ryan Tracy echoed Mr. Hutson's concerns, as did Louanna Miller and Maynard Suhre, all feeling that the city should remain in the heart of the downtown.

Chairman Hutson introduced Frank Butterfield, the director of the Springfield office of Landmarks Illinois, a state-wide not for profit organization that focuses on preservation through studies, advocacy, and potential funding. Mr. Butterfield described how his organization has resources to help figure out ways to save important sites by practicing preservation through planning. He said that

Chairman Hutson asked the Council to consider the community building, stating that people don't imagine how a building can be repurposed.

Chairman Hutson opened the meeting up to public participation. Monticello residents Bill Helferich, Michael Moore, Heidi Hurd, Kathy Bachman, and Steve Shreffler all spoke in opposition of the proposed move.

Louanna Miller made a motion to approve the following statement: "Whereas the City of Monticello desires to increase the space for the City Hall and Police Department, the Historic Preservation Commission believes priority should be given to expansion possibilities in the downtown historic district. The motion was seconded by Judy Green. A roll call was taken and the motion was approved 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

With no further business, a motion was made by Laura Martin to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ryan Tracy. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Callie McFarland