

Monticello Historic Preservation Commission
April 2, 2019 Minutes

The Monticello Historic Preservation Commission met Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Monticello Municipal Building, 210 N. Hamilton Street, Monticello, IL 61856.

Members present: Keddy Hutson, Louanna Miller, Laura Richler, Maynard Suhre and Judy Greene.

Staff present: Callie McFarland, Director of Community Development

Public present: Tom Smalley

Chairman Hutson called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. The minutes of the February 5, 2019 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Louanna, seconded by Maynard, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. No meeting was held in March due to lack of a quorum.

An interested newcomer to the community, Tom Smalley, attended to hear more about Monticello Preservation. He is particularly interested in relation to his residence, which he recently purchased. The house is an excellent example of mid-century "usonian" architecture located in the East Gate area of Stoddard Acres. Tom asked for advice in determining which portions of the house are original. Keddy agreed to advise.

Story Plaque QR codes were discussed and Callie informed the board a website should be available by the end of May. Laura will research possible apps that may be available in order to allow visitors to go to our website, click on a walking tour, and then lead the tour, possibly even through GPS locations.

Maynard presented the quantities and pricing from Fasprint for the Courthouse Square booklets. Following discussion, motion was made by Louanna, seconded by Maynard, that we request Fasprint to print as many mock-ups of the booklet as possible for \$50.00. Motion carried.

Maynard will continue to investigate appropriate replacement brochure holders for historic district signs.

Louanna presented proofs to be used for the HP logo. It was noted that the actual logo will be much smaller on our letterhead banner and that we may need to simplify the detail in order to be readable at a small scale. She will re-design wording and present an actual size of the logo at our next meeting.

Callie plans to meet with the Urbana Historic Preservation Commission to discuss the Local Landmark Application.

Historic Districts "Watchdog Report": the inappropriate wooden awnings and flower boxes in front of 210 and 212 W. Washington Street have been removed.

MHPC has re-joined the National Alliance of Preservation Commission and Callie will investigate the possibility of our hosting a training event in Monticello sometime in August or September. Commissioners have expressed interest in helping to organize and run the event.

No further business. Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Monticello Municipal Building.

Judy Greene, Secretary