

Monticello Historic Preservation Commission
May 5th, 2020

The Monticello Historic Preservation Commission met Tuesday, May 5th at 4:00 pm via web conference.

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

Public Participation: Bill Helfrich

City Participation: Callie McFarland

Chairman Hutson called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. The minutes of the February 4, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Louanna, seconded by Maynard, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried. The minutes of the April 21, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission were presented for approval. Motion was made by Louanna, seconded by Judy to approve as amended. Motion carried.

Ryan discussed the QR codes for the story plaques. Once Callie has the web addresses on the city website for all the buildings with story plaques Ryan will work to get the QR codes made to place each plaque.

Callie gave an update on the website. The North State St. district has been uploaded. Callie has requested help with additional pictures of the houses in the district, new and old. Bill Helfrich said he has quite a few pictures from when he was on the Commission and he will put them on a thumb drive and drop them off at the city building.

Maynard gave an update on the replacement brochure holders. The brochure holder for the Court House Square has been installed. He will work to get the other holders ordered and replaced.

There was nothing to report in the Watchdog Report.

Under New Business, Keddy discussed the possibility of applying for a Certified Local Government Grant for the plan to utilize the Community Building as the new City Hall and Police Station. With the shutdown of the government awarding grants has been placed on hold for the time being. Terry Summers had contacted Keddy to let us know that in the interest of time, the City would be funding preliminary studies for the Community Building as City Hall and Police Department. It was suggested that the CLG Grant could then be utilized for other approved project costs on down the road. To that end, we will continue to prepare Grant Application materials in order to be prepared when the State Government reopens. Bill Helfrich has volunteered to help with the grant writing process.

No further business. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at the Monticello Municipal Building or via webconference, pending COVID-19 protocols.