

Athens City Historic and Architecture Preservation Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Athens City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
Monday November 11, 2013

A regular meeting of the Athens City Historic and Architectural Preservation Commission was held in the first floor conference room at City Hall at 5:30 PM on November 11, 2013.

1. Call to Order

Mary Anne Reeves called the regular meeting to order at 5:35 PM. Members present were Sarie Landers, Harry Wyatt, Joanne Prisley, Guy Phillips, Keith Chapman, and Mary Anne Reeves. Cyrus Moore was absent.

2. Disposition of Minutes

Guy moved to approve the minutes from October 14, 2013. Joanne seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.

3. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 2013 at 5:30 PM at City Hall, front conference room.

4. New Business

a. East State Street home owned by the city, aka the Monty Goodfellow home. the city is planning to tear down this building in the near future. Joanne stated that Harold or Dewey Laughlin may have an aerial that shows the home. Mary Anne asked about foundation material, siding, windows (replaced?) doors, covering on structure.. Mary Anne will help write a report on the building. Paul will try and facilitate a tour of the building on Thursday November 14 at 8 AM.

b. Virtual walking tour—Paul updated the commission on the work of intern Megan Saunders. Megan is doing a web based walking tour of the history of Uptown Athens using Prezi software. Guy recommended that she call his property manager Sandy Heck for information on his buildings. Cyrus and Jessica Cyders should have some of this information at the historical society to assist with this. The commission members thought this was a useful means to work on educational outreach.

c. Ron Luce has submitted a letter of resignation as director of the Athens County Historical Society effective January 1, 2014.

d. Near east side resident Betty Hollow has asked Joanne about signage for the East State Elmwood historic district. Mayor Wiehl is looking to have some money in the 2014 budget for signage. Guy suggested that the commission present to the Athens real estate board on the ins and outs of historic preservation and designations as well. Mary Anne will look into this.

e. Guy asked if there is research on the higher property values in relation to historic designations. Paul will try to find this.

f. There is an organized home tour on Sunday December 8. The tour includes 5 homes on Elmwood and Park Place. Tickets are available for \$10 at the Athens County Historical Society. Mary Anne has some as

well. Refreshments are offered at Konneker Alumni Center. Guy suggested a one pager on the commission be distributed at the tour as well.

5. Old Business

- a. Commission changes are moving forward at Council as requested.
- b. CLG update—Paul needs resumes from all members. Nathan Bevil at the OHPO recommends that we apply now. There may be a workshop in spring or summer 2014 that we can attend.
- c. Heritage Ohio membership—this has been requested but there's no update on this yet.

6. Homework

Paul and Sarie will work on CLG

All will get resumes to Paul

7. Adjournment

Mary Anne motioned to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.