Athens City Historic and Architecture Preservation Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Athens City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
Monday, August 17, 2015

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1. Call to Order—Mary Anne called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM. Members present include Mary Anne, Ann Fidler, Joanne Prisley, and Cyrus Moore. Members absent include Guy Philips, Keith Chapman, and Jim Sands. Quorum was established. Paul Logue represented the city administration.

2. Disposition of Minutes from July 2015—Ann moved to accept the minutes. Cyrus seconded the motion. All voted in favor of accepting the minutes.

3. Next Meeting
September 14, 2015 at 5:30 PM

4. Old Business
a. inventory project—Torie McCollum was working on this over summer but her internship has been finished. She will continue on a volunteer basis through the school year. Paul will be working on the iForm in the next few weeks. Cyrus is interested in helping with this and adding some of his research to it.

b. OU master plan and Ridges plan—Cyrus and Joanne may be interested in attending the event on behalf of the commission. Mary Anne is unlikely to attend. Paul will check on parking passes for them. The commissioners hope the master plan includes language on preservation. The commission would like to invite Joe Lally and Shawna Bolin to the September meeting.

c. Armory—Paul reported that the feasibility study and brownfield study is moving forward. Cyrus recently found some photos of the Armory opening that are at the historical society.

d. OU President's home (Poston House)—the commission expressed concerns regarding the university's desire to move the president's residence off campus. The house is on the national register of historic places. Joanne says the board of trustees will be discussing this at their retreat on August 27. The commission will draft a letter regarding this building and send to the BoT prior to the retreat.

5. New Business
a. New board member—Jim Sands has been appointed to the Commission by mayor and city council. Jim will be present at the September meeting.

b. Cyrus attended a workshop in Columbus last week regarding historic preservation design standards. He would like the commission to work on putting some effort into this. There is some concern regarding upper floor additions to uptown buildings. Mary Anne suggested we start with the secretary on the

interior standards. Cyrus mentioned that Oxford, OH has good standards. The commission would like to invite Steve Patterson to a fall meeting to discuss preservation with him.

c. First Christian Church—Cyrus said that the Athens County Historical Society is interested in purchasing the building and relocating there.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.