Athens City Historic and Architecture Preservation Commission
Minutes
November 9, 2020 5:30 PM

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1. Call to Order—Mary Anne Reeves called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Members present include Reeves, Richard Vedder, Pam Callahan, Cyrus Moore, Guy Philips, and Mark Snider. Members absent included John Valentour. Quorum was established. Paul Logue recorded minutes.

2. Disposition of Minutes—the minutes from October 2020 were reviewed by the commission. Callahan noted a statement regarding Prisley Award—it should not be conditioned on a plaque being placed on a building. Paul will note the edit. Callahan motioned to approve the minutes with the change noted, Vedder seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The minutes were approved.

3. Next Meeting—December 14, 2020 5:30PM

4. Old Business

A. Design Review—Reeves is working on a certificate of appropriateness. Logue will work with city code director David Riggs regarding paperwork, and map. Callahan would like to help with this as needed. Logue will reach out to Ohio History Connection regarding training.

B. Prisley Award—Vedder and Reeves met with 1st Pres. Church minister Rev. Martin—he was supportive and liked the idea of a plaque. Paul reported that Mayor Patterson asked that this happen in 2021. Cyrus suggested a press release be issued. Rev. Martin would like to see an event planned. Mayor Patterson encouraged the commission to begin giving awards. Vedder moved to give the Prisley Award in 2021 to 1st Presbyterian Church. Snider seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion was approved. Board members will discuss next steps at the December regular meeting.

5. New Business

A. University dialog—Mayor Patterson will ask President Nellis for the right contact to at OU to reach out to regarding preservation issues.

6. Announcements and Updates—Paul reported that the OHC statewide plan is being updated. He is on the steering committee.

7. Adjournment—Callahan moved for adjournment at 6PM. The meeting was adjourned.