

City of Sidney Historic Preservation Board
Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2015

The meeting of the City of Sidney Historic Preservation Board was called to order by Kay Hicks, Chair of the Board at 12:03 p.m. Announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act was acknowledged.

Roll Call: Kay Hicks, Greg Huck, Bruce Leypoldt, Rich Phillips, Kathy Wilson, and Jake Vickery. Members absent included Scott Williams. Additional attendees included: Economic Development Director Tina Hochwender, Building Official Brad Rowan, Tom Simmons, and Mary Jo Putnam.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Leypoldt moved and Huck seconded to approve the November 10, 2015 minutes. All members present voted “yes.”

2015 CLG Grant and Project update - Intensive Level Survey of Sidney’s Original Town Plat

Hochwender noted a press release was sent to Sun-Telegraph and KSID. Sun-Telegraph article was published on December 3, 2015. Tom Simmons with the consultants was at the meeting. They are in town conducting the on-ground field work taking exterior photos and notes on the architecture of the structures. All work is being conducted from the public right-of-way. Mr. Simmons introduced himself and stated that things were going well. He added Sidney has some very interesting buildings--quite a range of brick types and finishes--including some good examples of mid- to late-20th century buildings, like Sidney Savings and Loan and the Courthouse. Knowing what it replaced, he was prepared not to like the new courthouse, but it's really a nicely-designed building with nice interior finishes.

Certificate of Approval Requests:

Façade Enhancement Grant – Request for Reimbursement for an application approved on August 11, 2015 for an awning over the front door of the French Door Antique Mall located at 1516 10th Avenue. The total cost of the project was \$1,461.00.

Ms. Putman reviewed the work completed and was pleased how well it turned out. Planning next summer to submit a request to remove the metal face and restore the stucco façade.

Phillips moved and Huck seconded to accept the work completed and reimburse project cost in accordance with the façade enhancement grant program rules and regulations. All members present voted “yes.”

Review of Sidney Historic Preservation Plan

Hochwender provided a copy of page 49 of the Sidney Historic Preservation Plan that reviewed the FY2015 projects completed and the anticipated FY2016 projects to work on. Discussion

ensued and it was decided to keep this item on the agenda for further discussion at the January meeting.

Other Comments:

Hochwender provided a Historic Preservation Board meeting dates and deadlines handout for 2016 to all members present.

Next meeting is January 12, 2015 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Tina Hochwender