

City of Sidney Historic Preservation Board  
Meeting Minutes  
February 9, 2016

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The meeting of the City of Sidney Historic Preservation Board was called to order by Kay Hicks, Chair of the Board at 12:07 p.m. Announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act was acknowledged.

**Roll Call:** Kay Hicks, Greg Huck, Rich Phillips, and Bruce Leypoldt (call in for part of the meeting only). Members absent included: Kathy Wilson, Jake Vickery, and Scott Williams. Additional attendees included: Economic Development Director Tina Hochwender, Building Official Brad Rowan, and Tar Drazdowski.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

Not applicable, a quorum was not present. Tabled until March meeting.

**Certificate of Approval Requests:**

Façade Enhancement Grant – Request for Reimbursement for an application approved on May 12, 2015 for stain glass window repairs and covers for the Christ Episcopal Church located at 1205 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The total cost of the project was \$16,571.00

HPB Member, Bruce Leypoldt, joined the meeting via telephone conference call in order to have a quorum.

Ms. Drazdowski reviewed the work completed and was pleased how well it turned out. She also stated that the Sidney Sun Telegraph has an article in the paper about the windows. The HPB was thanked in the article for their support.

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

**Other Comments:**

Hochwender discussed the Hildegard Center’s request for photos for display to celebrate Nebraska’s 150<sup>th</sup>. We were contacted and told that they had not received any photos from Cheyenne County yet. The request was sent to the Sidney Sun Telegraph for them to prepare an article. Photo submission requirements state that the photos must be original and taken within the last 5 years and the photos must be of historical sites either found on the National Register of Historic Places or places of community/personal significance to the photographer. Limit 5 photos per submission. Visit [www.hildegardcenter.com](http://www.hildegardcenter.com) for more information.

Hicks discussed a request she received from a building owner regarding an awning that was being replaced due to weather damage. The majority of the costs will be covered by the insurance company but there will still be the out of pocket deductible sought. Discussion ensued

on whether this was routine maintenance and an allowable reimbursement or not. Tabled for further discussion at the March meeting.

Hochwender stated that the Sidney Historic Preservation Plan suggested that a 2016 CLG grant be submitted for an intensive level survey to be completed of Illinois/Hwy 30. Applications are due April 1. Hochwender to prepare the application for review and approval at the March meeting.

Next meeting is March 8, 2016 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

*Minutes submitted by Tina Hochwender*