

Montevallo Historical Preservation Commission
June 6, 2017
Minutes

Members present: B. Glosson, S. Godwin, M. Goggins, H. G. McGaughy, M. Nix, J. Seaman, S. Vallides and M. Walker Guest: Mayor Cost

Meeting site: Parnell Library

Meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.

Old Business

The minutes from the May 2, 2017 meeting were read. A motion was made by S.Godwin to accept the minutes as presented; S. Godwin seconded; motion passed.

Owl's Cove Park Update: Concrete is being removed. Additional funding has been received and project is moving along.

Bicentennial Art Browse: Exhibit will be held at Parnell Library and City Hall on July 1st. Silent auction will be held to raise money for the Bicentennial Committee.

Bicentennial Bash: Event will be held September 9th at Orr Park.

Bicentennial Blessings: Palmer Hall in December.

Historical Society Update: Founding Board of Directors met in May. Society website is up and running with membership application downloadable on site.

New Business

Commission members discussed the advantage of separate entity of MHS. Presents opportunity of involving more than just eight persons appointed by the city. Can involve all current/former residents and UM students interested in historic preservation of our city and surrounding areas.

Matt presented information regarding a possible "metal detecting" ordinance to restrict treasure hunting on historical sites within the city. He is still doing research in other states since he can find no city in our state that currently has such an ordinance. Stacy Hawthorne at the Alabama State Archeology Department could probably provide information. Bobby Joe Seals of the Shelby County Historical Society could also be of assistance with this information.

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Mary Shell and Stacy Hawthorne are currently working on plans for a Phase II “dig” at Shoal Creek Park. Mayor Cost reported that the Phase II grant has been written for restrooms, way finding signage etc. The first archeological dig found enough materials that make it necessary to, maybe, have to move the current restroom site.

Mayor Cost also reported that Turner Batson, and Rob Walker Architectural firms have been contacted for the design for repairs to the upstairs portion of the Mahler House.

Marshall Goggins gave a report on the Blue Star Memorial at the National Cemetery.

Members discussed the July meeting date since the first Tuesday of July falls on the 4th. July 11th is a possible makeup date.

A motion to adjourn was made by M. Nix; S. Vallides seconded; motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.