Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Minutes – October 3, 2017

Present: Jody Motz, Ron Parron and Priscilla Mangnall Not Present: Chris Endreson, David Bailey, Brandon Stam and Troy Reynolds Also Present: Catherine Hursh and Linda Lynch, Citizens; Bennett Boeschenstein, City Council Kristen Ashbeck, Community Development

The meeting was called to order 4:00 pm at City Hall.

General Business.

- CMU Public History Course Spring 2018 Kristen stated she had been in contact with Dr. Steve Schulte from CMU that will be teaching the course. The Board has worked with them in the past and he inquired about a possible project for next Spring. A couple of suggestions were researching the eras of North Avenue history and a walking tour of the White and Main Street homes.
- Expiring Board Terms Terms for Jody Motz and Priscilla Mangnall both expire in 2017 but both may seek reappointment. Kristen will draft a letter for the Board to review to provide City Council regarding appointments.

Presentation and Discussion with Downtown Residents. Catherine Hursh, owner of a home 1215 Rood Avenue, and Linda Lynch, owner of the home at 1160 White Avenue gave a presentation to the Board regarding concerns of downtown neighborhoods. Main points of the presentation and discussion were:

- Recognition of the downtown area in general as "historic downtown" with entry point signage including signage at I-70B and Main Street
- Lack of guidance for new development/re-development
- Forming a downtown historic district or at least considering recognition of "Historical Main Street" if they cannot form a district
- Having representation from the Historic Preservation Board on decision-making e.g. City Council or Planning Commission.
- Suggested that the Board meet with City Council to discuss these concerns

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.