

Call to Order: Drew Barth opened the meeting.

Roll Call:

Commission Member			Advisory Board Member	
Drew Barth	P			
Melanie Maxwell	A			
Karin Harter	A		Technical Advisors	
Judy Curd	P		Bryan Robbins	X
Theresa Schwering	P		Joe Jarzen	X
Planning Office				
Kathy Reynolds	P			
P=Present			X=Absent	

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Judy Curd made the motion to accept the minutes as emailed out to the Commission members and Theresa Schwering seconded. Motion carried.

Public Hearing on Draft of Design Guidelines

Drew explained that the Commission was seeking public input on the Draft for the Historic District Design Guidelines and gave a history of the draft. The public hearing was advertised and the draft of the guidelines was posted on the City’s website and available in the Greensburg Area Plan Commission office. It was noted that the Commission was following a request from the City Council to see a draft of the guidelines at the same time as when the historic district boundaries comes before Council for approval.

The next step is to appear before the Council to get approval of the boundaries and the Commission is hoping to appear at the February 2011 meeting.

Drew opened the floor to the public.

Questions were raised about structural integrity and the design guidelines. It was explained that safety and structural integrity of downtown buildings is outside the realms of the Greensburg Historic Preservation Commissions’ duties and authority and that safety and structural integrity of buildings falls to the City. Kathy Reynolds explained the process of what happens when building safety concerns are raised.

Question regarding the scope of the design guidelines was raised. The design guidelines only cover the facades that are visible from the public right-of-ways; there are no guidelines governing the interior design for a building. The HPC ordinance does cover demolition and new construction.

Signage was discussed and the proposed design guidelines cover appropriate signage. These guidelines were gathered by Kathy Reynolds from Rushville’s historic district and the Commission liked the language and included them in the design guideline draft.

The process for the presentation to the City Council was discussed. The Commission will give an outline of major topics and summarize the changes from the last boundary request, as well as the major points of the district.

The Mayor and City Councilman, Bill Wenning, thanked the Commission for all of their work.

Drew closed the Public Hearing.

Meeting Adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: November 30, 2010 @ 6 PM @ City Hall (NOTE: Change of Date due to Thanksgiving Holiday)

Minutes were emailed to Commission Members, Advisors and City Hall on October 22, 2010

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