



BOARD OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

*Promoting the use and conservation of historic properties for the education, inspiration, pleasure
and enrichment of the citizens of Sioux Falls*

Meeting Minutes for the meeting held on May 11, 2011

Members Present:

Austin Buhta
Jeff Dunn
Sean Ervin
Kevin Gansz
Dixie Hieb
Adam Nyhaug
Keith Thompson

Members Absent:

Anita Kealey

Public in Attendance:

Carol Mashek
Cheryl Rath

Staff Present:

Debra Gaikowski, Planner
Brent O'Neil, Planner

Call to Order

1. **Approval of the April 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes**

Kevin Gansz made a motion to approve the April 13, 2011 Board of Historic Preservation meeting minutes as written. Austin Buhta seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. **Public Input on non-agenda items:**

None

3. **Old Business:**

a. **Mayor's Historic Preservation Awards**

Debra Gaikowski recapped the winners of the Mayor's Historic Preservation Award and discussed the presentation to take place at the May 16 City Council meeting. Kevin Gansz agreed to represent the Board members at the meeting.

4. **New business:**

a. **Historic district name change request**

Debra Gaikowski reported that she was contacted by a resident from the Cathedral area to change the name of the Sioux Falls Historic District to the Cathedral District. After discussion among the Board members it was agreed that more input from the residents of the Cathedral area is needed before making this decision. Dixie Hieb made a motion to have Debra gather the information from the citizens in whatever way she finds acceptable, and to bring that information back to the Board. Keith Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Whittier Middle School Revitalization Ideas

The Board members received a report summary of a class presentation by the Whittier Middle School 8th grade class. The class conducted an analysis of the neighborhood and compiled several recommendations for improvement. This information was for future reference by the Board members and no action was required.

c. Election of Officers

Nominations were accepted for the Chair and Vice Chair positions on the Board of Historic Preservation. Dixie Hieb made a motion that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. Jeff Dunn seconded the motion. Kevin Gansz was voted Chair and Sean Ervin was voted Vice-chair.

5. Reports:

a. Home Show Subcommittee Report

Kevin Gansz and Adam Nyhaug shared information, thoughts, and ideas, from the most recent Home Show Subcommittee meeting. Funding information and information on the National Register has been obtained and will be available at the 2012 Home Show booth. Topics to highlight on the retractable displays were also discussed. This item was informational only.

6. Other Business:

a. Façade Easement Program update

Brent O'Neil discussed the recently implemented changes to the Façade Easement Program such as project criteria, timelines for applications, and what activities the funds from the program will cover. There will also be funds available for both historical properties and non-historical properties.

b. June BOHP Meeting

Debra stated that the June Board of Historic Preservation meeting will be at the Siouxland Libraries Main Branch at 8th Street and Dakota Avenue, in the Conference Room. The meeting will be June 8, at 4:00 p.m.

c. Activity Book

Jeff Dunn gave a brief update on the contents of the Historic Preservation Activity book that is being compiled for eventual distribution to third grade students throughout the community.

Adjourn

Kevin Gansz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m.