



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
September 14, 2011

Members Present:

Elizabeth Barry
Jeff Dunn
Sean Ervin
Kevin Gansz
Dixie Hieb
Adam Nyhaug
Mildred Roesch
Keith Thompson

Members Absent:

Austin Buhta
Anita Kealey

Public in Attendance:

Deb Billion
Carol Mashek
Liz Squire

Staff Present:

Erica Beck, Community Development Manager
Debra Gaikowski, Planner
Wes Philips, Principal Engineer

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Kevin Gansz.

1. Approval of the August 10, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Sean Ervin made a motion to accept the August 10, 2011, Sioux Falls Board of Historic Preservation (BOHP) meeting minutes as written. Beth Barry seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of the September 7, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Sean Ervin made a motion to accept the September 7, 2011, Sioux Falls Board of Historic Preservation meeting minutes as written. Adam Nyhaug seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Input on Non-agenda Items: Carol Mashek commented on two new development projects, one at 12th Street and Summit Avenue and another at 11th Street and Spring Avenue. She feels they are not in keeping with the nature of the surrounding homes since they are extremely large and three stories tall. She wanted to express her disappointment.

4. Old Business: None

5. **New business:**

a. Carnegie Building Improvements:

Liz Squire, architect with Architecture Incorporated, conducted a PowerPoint presentation on the Carnegie Building Improvements project. The City completed a study on the building, which is located at the corner of 10th Street and Dakota Avenue, several years ago and this project follows recommendations made in that report. She reviewed several different aspects of the project including materials and construction methods, and followed with answering several questions from the Board members. Sean Ervin made a motion that the Carnegie Building Improvements Project would not have an adverse affect on the building and the BOHP will support a Deadwood Fund Grant application for the project. Dixie Hieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Historic Paver Alley:

Wes Philips, Principal Engineer with the City of Sioux Falls, discussed the condition of the last paver alley within the community located between Duluth and Summit Avenues from 6th to 7th Street. He shared a letter he received from four property owners along the alley and their concerns about the condition of the alley. City staff will be meeting with the property owners the day after this meeting. Wes reviewed several alternatives to address this issue such as doing nothing about it, removing the pavers and replacing with asphalt, providing a temporary surface such as millings or gravel until the project can be completed, or leaving the pavers as is until they can be removed and restored to their original state next summer. Mildred Roesch made a motion to move forward with getting input from the neighbors including whether they would consider being assessed for the restoration of the alley. Keith Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Keith Thompson then made a motion for the Board to support a Deadwood Fund Grant application for the project which would retain the pavers rather than replace the pavers with asphalt. Jeff Dunn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Sean Ervin made a motion to maintain that the Board's position is to retain the pavers and that it would not support an asphalt alley. Dixie Hieb seconded the motion. The motion passed with one no vote from Jeff Dunn.

c. Women's History Club

Deb Billion, representing the Women's History Club, presented information on a proposed project at the Women's History Club building located at 758 South Phillips Avenue. The group is applying for a Deadwood Fund Grant to provide financial assistance for the project that will improve drainage issues and alleviate water and moisture problems in the building. Sean Ervin made a motion to support the grant application with a letter from the Board. Jeff Dunn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Façade Easement Program 10th Anniversary

Erica Beck stated that the Façade Easement Program will be celebrating its 10th Anniversary this fall. The City is proposing to recognize that event with a tour of a few of the most recent grant projects. She was looking for the Board's support and input on the event. The Board suggested keeping the tours to a centralized area to make it easier for those attending.

6. **Other Business:**

Kevin Gansz said that he was contacted by Linda Barker with concerns about a large renovation project next to her property on Pendar Lane. She would like to move forward with creating an historic district in her area to help preserve the nature and character of the neighborhood.

Adjourn

Keith Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Jeff Dunn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.