

Minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission
City of Oskaloosa
Special meeting Oct. 19, 2015
City Council Chambers

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Oskaloosa was called to order at 5:03pm Monday Oct. 19th, 2015, by chair Mark Tennison.

Commission members present: Mark Tennison, Janel Campbell, Adam Haroldson & Doug Shullaw. Absent: Jo Broerman, Kerri Boender, & Linda Howard.

Public present: Ann Bower (President of Questers Club, Karen Hafner, Shari Varva, Rohrbach Associates (Architecture Firm for City of Oskaloosa Fire House) & Mike Schrock, City Manager.

The commission was presented to consider a certificate of appropriateness for the Fire Station expansion and remodel project and to consider modifications to the building and some possible design features that could be budgetary items of concern. The Architect proposed some features that were previously approved by the board that may require modification due to large cost. The historic district line currently divides the alley from the existing parking lot (future expansion building space for fire house) and the existing fire house. Since the new building is to attach and join to the existing the architect and board members agreed in previous meetings that this project should compliment, not try to match the integrity of the historical building. The joining of the two building was to include a glass enclosure to showcase the existing brick fascade. It was originally proposed and approved but may be too costly; another material may need to be considered. The architect has asked that the remodel project may also receive another style of roof & the project would need bids with prior approval on material, style and appropriateness approval from board. There was a motion to approve by Haroldson, seconded by Campbell. All in favor. Vote was YES: Campbell, Haroldson, Shullaw & Tennison. NO: None Absent: Broerman, Boender, Howard.

Public Present Ann Brower (President of Questers) presented the board with the idea for making the alley between Bridal Dreams & Smokey Row a sitting area & more friendly route and access to the mall from the square. Ideas were brought up concerning possible lighting, landscaping, chairs & signage for the space. Discussion of what the board would possibly approve was brought up, however there was nothing at this time to actually vote on or approve. The board just asked that the alley way keep historic in nature & anything fixed or attached to buildings would be of greater appropriateness.

With no further business it was moved by Shullaw and seconded by Haroldson to adjourn the meeting at 5:43pm.

Minutes by Janel Campbell