

CITY OF OSKALOOSA  
MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING  
March 4, 2016

The Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Oskaloosa was called to order at 12:13 pm Wednesday April 15, 2015, by Chairperson Mark Tennison at the City Hall Council Chambers 220 S. Market St. Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Commission members present: Adam Haroldson, Douglas Shullaw, Mark Tennison and Nathan Wilson; Commission members absent: Janel Campbell and Jo Broerman; city staff present: Akhilesh Pal, Public Works Director, Michael Schrock, City Manager and Amie Roberts, Public Works Department Secretary; public present: Teresa Grahek, Sherry Vavra, Karen Hafner, Collette Ferguson, Ken Allsup, Renee McLaughlin and others present.

*1st item on the agenda: Consider a request for a presentation and approval for "The Alley Project".* Grahek, Vavra and Hafner presented to the commission "The Alley project". During the presentation, they proposed to clean up the alley and the murals on the walls, move trash dumpsters and receptacles to the back north-south alleyway. They also discussed the decorative metal archway for the entryway into the alley and use cables anchored to each building for decorative lighting.

Tennison asked if adjacent neighbors had been notified about the project and the ladies responded that they have been communicating with the adjacent property owners.

Schrock spoke to the commission in regards to approving the project and that the project will be presented to City Council. Schrock also mentioned that staff has spoken to utility companies and sanitation services which can be relocated to another area.

Shullaw asked if service and utility companies have access in the future, the group for the project stated yes the metal arch can be taken down in order for companies to fix any issues in the alley. Shullaw discussed about the curb and crosswalk along Market Street.

Ferguson, Manager for Bridal Dreams explained to the commission that approving the alley project would hinder the business. Ferguson mentioned several issues which include; moving the dumpster would cause tenants to leave garbage in the hallways, traffic issues with delivery trucks, noise issue from Market Street, bricks falling from the building.

Commission members mentioned to the group that the planters will need to be painted and attachment of the lights will need to follow the Historic guidelines.

Haroldson mentioned that it is a great opportunity to enhance the downtown.

With no further discussion Shullaw made a motion to approve the alley project and painting the wooden planters within the perimeters of the historical guidelines, Haroldson seconded; Vote: YES: Haroldson, Shullaw, Tennison and Wilson; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Broerman and Campbell.

With no further business it was moved by Shullaw and Seconded by Haroldson to adjourn the meeting at 1:15pm

Minutes by Amie Roberts