

**RUSSELLVILLE
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting – Thursday, January 24, 2019
Train Depot
320 West C Street**

Commissioners Present:

Greg Barborek – Chair
Judy Galloway – Secretary
Steve Newby
Beverly Hooten

Suzanne Alford-Hodges – Vice Chair
Linda Carnahan
Kathy Price
Polly Hardin

City Council Liaison Absent:

Phyllis Carruth

Staff Present:

Kurt Jones – Historic Preservation Officer

Advisors Present:

Danielle Housenick, MSR Director

Advisors Absent:

Brian Holstein - Director City Development, Trey Smith – City Attorney

Call to Order & Welcome @ 5:00PM:

Mr. Barborek called the January 24, 2019 meeting of the Russellville Historic District Commission to order at 5:00PM and a quorum was established. The new Main Street Russellville Executive Director, Danielle Housenick, was welcomed and commissioners introduced themselves to her. Ms. Housenick told commissioners something about herself. Mr. Barborek welcomed our CLG Director, Catherine Barrier, who was making the evenings presentation.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Barborek asked if everyone had read the minutes of the November 29th, 2018 regular meeting. Motion was made by Ms. Hooten to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Newby made the second and the minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Staff Report:

None

Agenda:

Ms. Barrier brought appropriate handouts and a Power Point presentation on general Arkansas Historic Preservation Programs and services.

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Initially, there was an explanation of Arkansas's Certified Local Government Program of which Russellville is a part and Local Ordinance Historic Districts like the one we have in Russellville. Ms. Barrier explained that our commission is responsible for preservation in the entire city and not just our Downtown Historic District. This designation enables us to protect the city's historic and architecturally important structures from demolition inappropriate alterations, severe deterioration or new construction that is not in keeping with the areas historic character.

The next portion of the program gave the commission an overview of the National Register program, the grants programs, tax credit program and technical assistance available to owners of historic properties. Brochures were provided and reviewed with commission members. Commissioners were given important web addresses that provide more information and contacts for the information that was discussed.

Ms. Barrier is available any time the commission needs to consult with her and she provided her contact information to us.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

There was some discussion regarding the travel trailer that Kevin Martin has parked on his vacant lot on N. Commerce. He plans to store his tools in this trailer while he works on the downstairs of his building. Mr. Jones said that there are no city ordinances that prevent him leaving the trailer there. Only if someone is living in the trailer would it be a violation.

Adjournment:

Mr. Newby made the motion to adjourn at 6:09PM. Ms. Hooten made the second. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Greg Barborek – Chair

Date

