

March 27, 2017

**LANDMARK AND HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES**

The Landmark and Historic District Commission (LHDC) of the City of Florissant met at the Florissant City Hall on Monday March 27, 2017 in the 2nd floor lunch room at 6:30 p.m., with Kent Miller presiding.

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Commission members introduced their selves along with staff members, Phil Lum and Dianne Lehmann.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following members were present: Chair - Kent Miller, Patty Sosa, Steve Frank; Steve Siebe, Gary Meyer, Dan Call and Christine Kiel. Also in attendance were Dianne Lehmann, Recording Clerk and Philip Lum, Building Commissioner. A quorum being present, the Chair declared the Landmark and Historic District Commission (LHDC) was in session for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gary Meyer made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted; seconded by Dan Call. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Possible guest speaker, Bill Hart, Director of Historic Preservation, to speak about Historic Tax Credits. Possible additional speaker.**

Phil Lum spoke about the possibility of hosting a outreach program that would have some guest speakers talking about the benefits of Historic Tax Credits. He has contacted Bill Hart and Steve Pargon to see about interest in being our speakers. Bill Hart will be available for a fee. The fee is XXX. Steve Pargon is also available to speak and will do so at no cost to the commission. Kent asked if we did such a presentation should we charge a fee for admittance. Phil stated if we held true to the other presentations we have done there would be no charge We should offer free food free drink and hopeful get a full house. Phil said he knew the Shrine could use the money if we chose to charge. Gary Meyer said that he didn't think anyone would pay to see a presentation because it only appeals to a limited audience. Chris said she could talk to the Shrine about hosting the event but would need a date. Dianne said she would

like to ask Terry Turner, the new owner of the Meyers House. She thought everyone would be excited about seeing the Meyers House since it has been closed for so long. Some discussion about having the presentation later in the fall was had and everyone agreed that it would be good to have it sometime around the Fall Festival so we can use that event to advertise this event. Dianne said she would get ahold of Terry Turner to see if he was interested. If he is not interested Chris will talk to the Shrine.

At this time Chris noted that in the minutes of the last meeting Dianne had the owner of the Meyers House as Ted Turner not Terry Turner. Dianne said she would amend the minutes and make that correction. The commission discussed what kind of food and drink should be available and who should be invited.

Phil said he would love to see if we could pair this up with another event to draw more people. Steve Seibe said we would need to extend the invitation to other interested persons. A sub-committee should be formed to work on invitation and who should be invited.

At this time Phil talked about the loss of Gretchen Crank and that we did not have anyone that has come forward to take on the role of leader for Historic Florissant. Patty Sosa said she thought that Nelson Crank was taking on the role of leader for that organization. Steve said that Nelson had been contacting people trying to get things going again but it had been slow. Phil said other people had expressed interest in Historic Florissant and what was going to happen in Gretchen's absence. Phil is very concerned about the history and importance of the Gettimier House and Historic Florissant and wants to make sure we do whatever we can to assist during this transition. Chris said they have a similar situation with Talle De Noyer and that the people running that program are all getting much older and no new leaders are coming forward. Phil said that he would love to see all of the historic organizations located throughout the City work together. Kent said he thought we had a lot of Chiefs but only a few Indians.

Phil said he would reach out to Nelson Crank and see what we can help with. Gary Meyer said that maybe the future leader of the historic organizations could be someone that is not even involved now. We should all be prepared for some changes in the future. Steve Frank said he didn't think Old Town Partners being a real partner with any of the current items being discussed. Phil said maybe some of the businesses would profit from a discussion about tax credits for historic properties.

NEW BUSINESS

Dianne said she has a signup sheet for the 2017 Missouri CLG Forum that is in Jefferson City April 7, 2017. Chris said she would check to see if she would be available but as for now she had to work. No one else expressed interest in attending.

MICELLANEOUS BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS

Kent Miller asked if there was any further business. Being no further business Kent stated she would entertain a motion to adjourn. Christine Keil made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gary Meyer, All members concurred.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Dianne Lehmann Recording Clerk