

Minutes

The Leawood Historic Commission met in the Planning and Development Conference Room at 4:30 PM., on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Chair Janine Joslin presided.

Commissioners Present:

Charles Lusk
Alice Hawk
Bruce Martin
Janet O’Neal
Mike Reed
Barbara Holzmark

Absent:

Dan Throckmorton

Others Present:

Councilmember Debra Filla
Councilmember Lisa Harrison
April Bishop, Cultural Arts Coordinator
Debra Harper, Staff Liaison

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Joslin called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

2. **Approve May 10, 2016 Minutes**

A motion was made by Alice Hawk, seconded by Mike Reed to accept the minutes. The motion was approved following a unanimous vote.

3. **Treasurers Report**

Alice Hawk advised the current balance is \$3,175.78.

4. **Updates & Discussion**

a. **Report from Bruce on the Johnson County Heritage Foundation meeting**

Bruce advised his participation in the review and editing of the bylaws is now complete. Johnson County has discussed scheduling an open house in the near future. Janine advised they are considering a \$100.00 annual membership. She attended a meeting approximately a month ago, also attended by Johnson County Commissioner Steve Klika. He had suggested this be placed under the Johnson County Parks and Recreation Department. After further discussion, they decided to continue on with their current plan and not place under the Parks & Recreation Department.

b. **Report from Dan on proposed natural history of Leawood project**

No information

- c. **Begin planning for survey of new district**
 - 1. **Create action calendar**
 - 2. **Solicit volunteers – Training date and location**

Janine advised letters were mailed to 204 residents on August 31, 2016. Photographs of the residences would begin in November, when the leaves are falling so the residences can be seen. Mike Reed, Charles Lusk, Barbara Holzmark, and Alice Hawk have volunteered. Additionally, two residents in the proposed district have volunteered their services. Janine will send out an e-mail confirming training date and time. The survey should be completed by Christmas.

5. **New Business**

Janine offered a potential name of Somerset for the new Historic District.

April reported the schoolhouse is being repainted for the first time since the schoolhouse was moved in 2004. The painting is almost complete.

Upcoming presentation and events:

Leawood Memories, History for all ages, Sunday November 6th. Hosted by the Leawood Historic Commission and Historic Oxford Schoolhouse

First Annual Leawood Stage Company Mattress Fundraiser on Sunday, October 9th at The Lodge

Into the Night Fall Festival, Friday, October 7th at Ironwoods Park

Victorian Penny Dreadfuls, History for All Ages Lecture, presented by Dr. Chris McCoy, on Saturday, October 1st at Oxford Schoolhouse. Hosted by the Leawood Historic Commission and Historic Oxford Schoolhouse

Sweeney Todd, The Demon Barber of Fleet Street, Sept 29-Oct. 2nd , at The Lodge.

Councilmembers Debra Filla and Lisa Harrison gave an update on the development of the property at 96th & Lee Boulevard that was discussed at an earlier Governing Body Work Session. Governing Body's preliminary discussions had been held with a consensus to keep the building at the site, raise, remove the understructure and replace on a new slab on grade. A basement would not be included for the reuse of the original City Hall building, and the storage for artifacts would be off-site.

6. **Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

The next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 4:30 P.M., Planning and Development Conference Room, City Hall.

/s/ Deb Harper

Deb Harper, City Clerk/Staff Liaison