

Minutes

The Leawood Historic Commission met in the Planning and Development Conference Room at 4:30 P.M., on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. Chair Bruce Martin presided.

Commissioners Present:

Alice Hawk
Charles Lusk
Barbara Holzmark
Dan Throckmorton
Mike Reed

Absent:

Councilmember Debra Filla
Janet O'Neal

Others Present:

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

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Martin called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M.

2. **Approve November 13, 2018 Minutes**

A motion was made by Alice Hawk, seconded by Dan Throckmorton, to accept the November 13, 2018 minutes. The motion was approved following a unanimous vote.

3. **Opening Comments**

Personal thanks for Alice and Mel Hawk hosting the December Holiday Gathering

Chair Martin extended thanks to Alice for the wonderful gathering at her house again.

4. **Finance Report**

Payment of \$50.00 for JCKHF Assessment Fee

Chair Martin advised this was a one-time fee that the City is assessed by the JCKHF.

5. **Old Business**

Discussion of RFP issued by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board for the 'Park Site Plan,' consisting of three design options relating to the existing Fire Station No. 1 and Old City Hall Building

Chair Martin stated he is not in favor of the design options that eliminates the Old City Hall building. These options will be presented to the Governing Body at a scheduled February 4, 2019 Work Session.

6. New Business

- A. Historical Recognition – Consideration of plaque for original CPA Building located at 8000 Lee Boulevard

April advised this would require some historical research before a plaque could be placed. Barbara advised she would reach out to a Kroh Brothers contact to ascertain some historical information. Kroh Brothers realty office was located at 8000 Lee Boulevard. It was also the location of Governing Body meetings for the City prior to the original City Hall building was built.

April further advised the dedication is scheduled for May 9, 2019, at 6:00 P.M., for the Somerset Shops. The plaque will be mounted on the exterior of the building.

- B. Consideration for Museum/Park Items [as noted in 'Leawood: A Portrait in Time]
1. Possible acquisition and restoration of 1952 Police Car
 2. Possible acquisition and restoration of vintage School Bus
 3. Possible acquisition and conversion of a 1956 Ford panel truck into an ambulance

Dan advised he would contact a vintage car expert. He is still checking on a vintage vehicle. Councilmember Harrison suggested placing fiberglass replicas of a police vehicle, ambulance, etc., at the future park that kids could play on instead of acquiring vintage vehicles.

Janet and Charles recently conducted an interview with Mary [Swanson] Engel and Carol Engel Poppe. Mary will be 88 in April.

Bruce asked if the HC should use Facebook for public appeals for fundraising. Fund raising on Facebook is prohibited. April advised the City recently upgraded the webpage and is more user friendly and has all the HC information posted. Additionally, all donations are required to go through a 501(c)3 company; funds must go through the Foundation and not the Historic Commission. Dan suggested a fund raising idea of placing plaques on individual homes in the historical district. Barbara advised she would contact someone associated with Corinth School and ascertain what they would like to donate.

7. Upcoming Events

'History of Leawood,' presentation for residents of Homestead Assisted Living

April advised the City's 'A Guide to the Past' pamphlet should be completed sometime this spring. She will be making a presentation for residents of the Homestead Assisted Living Facility on the history of Leawood. The classic Broadway play, 'The Man Who Came to Dinner' will be at the Lodge, February 14-17th.

8. Open Discussion

9. Next HC Meeting

The next upcoming meetings will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019.

10. Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made by Charles, seconded by Dan to adjourn. The motion was approved following a unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

/s/ Deb Harper

Deb Harper, City Clerk/Staff Liaison