
MINUTES**HUTCHINSON LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

City of Hutchinson

Thursday, March 14, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
125 E. Avenue B, Hutchinson, Kansas

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Members present: Jo Higgins (2/2), Shannon Whetzel (2/2), Joel Haag (2/2), Wes Bartlett (2/2), Greg Holmes (2/2) and Chelsey Dawson (2/2). Gale Wall (1/2), was absent.

Planning Staff present: Jim Seitnater, Interim Director of Planning and Development; Aaron Barlow, Associate Planner; and Charlene Mosier, Planning Technician.

2. Approval of Minutes

Higgins motioned to approve the minutes from February 14, 2019 seconded by Holmes, passed unanimously.

3. Written Reports**a. Projects Approved Administratively**

ADM19-000001 17 E 2nd Ave – Replace cell tower antenna

ADM19-000002 119 N Main St – New sign on existing awning

b. Projects Approved by the SHPO – None**c. Projects Approved by the City Council – None****d. Other Reports – None****4. Action Plan Reports - None****5. ANNOUNCEMENTS****a. Sugar Mill Property Update (600 East 1st Avenue)**

Barlow included a copy of the staff report on the request for demolition of the Sugar Mill that will be considered by the City Council on March 19. Barlow suggested at least one or two members of the Landmarks Commission attend this meeting. Haag said he will attend. He said if the Sugar Mill is demolished, he would like to see the limestone used for another purpose such as for landscaping in Carey Park.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Training – Preservation Tax Credits (Topeka Seminar Highlights)

Barlow and Seitnater attended a preservation tax credit training seminar in Topeka and Barlow covered what was learned in a powerpoint presentation. The powerpoint gave a history of preservation efforts in Kansas with properties being listed in the 1960's. Historic tax credits add value to the economy. Single family rental homes can now qualify for federal tax credits. State tax credit applications can be kept open for a number of years while the applicant completes multiple projects, provided the projects add up to \$5,000 or more. State tax credits are 25% back in tax credits. This process applies to businesses as well if the building is individually listed or if the building is a contributing structure in a historic district.

7. Old Business.

- a. Barlow asked about Sears houses in Hutchinson. Higgins said there is a list of those she will check on it.
- b. Higgins had addresses of homes in her neighborhood she has concerns with and staff will check into them.
- c. The house located at the corner of Sherman Ave and Plum St. with fire damage will be repaired in the near future.

8. Other Business - None

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlene Mosier

Planning Technician

Approved this day of 2019.

Attest:

