

Montevallo Historical Preservation Commission

November 6, 2018

Minutes

Location: Parnell Memorial Library

Members Present: Janice Seaman (Chair Person), H.G. McGaughy, Sherry Vallides and William Glosson

Members Absent: Melinda Nix and Susan Godwin both due to illness. Kenny Dukes and Matt Walker (council representative) were also absent.

Old Business

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available due to illness of the board's secretary. E-mail from Mayor Cost to J. Seaman regarding the logs purchased from a burned-out house on Ashville Road and presently stored at the Mahler house. The mayor is asking for information on future use of these logs as well as recommendations for storage options because "they are rapidly deteriorating". After discussion by members present it was agreed upon by all present that the logs should be stored in a manner to protect them from the elements until a proper use could be determined. Possible storage sites suggested were city shop or the city recycling center.

J. Seaman presented an up-date on the renovations at the Mahler House that were to begin on September 5, according to the memorandum of agreement. Chad Scroggins, from the county has been appointed as project manager. He and J. Seaman met around the end of September however to date nothing has progressed. There seems to be some difficulty in preparing the bid specifications and Mr. Scroggins reported some difficulty in having an HVAC contractor visit the site. A discussion followed regarding a previously submitted bid in hand prepared by Psalms Construction Co., a well known and highly regarded historical preservation contractor located in the Tuscaloosa area. In a discussion regarding the three phases of construction it was confusing to the members as to why an HVAC contractor was needed at this time since that scope of work would not begin until phase II of the project has begun. J. Seaman ask member W. Glosson to see if he could locate the final version of the city, county, U.M. Memorandum of Agreement.

New Business

Purchase of Victory Auto Building. A general discussion was initiated concerning a rumor circulating around town that negotiations may be forthcoming between the city and the owners of the property known as the Victory Pontiac Building for the city to purchase the property. Members were curious about potential uses for the property and expressed their concerns about potential environmental problems that could exist on the property.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:12 P.M.