

National Historic District
Minutes
October 10, 2012

The Historical Preservation Board met on October 10, 2012, at noon, in the Auburn City Hall conference room.

Present were: Peggy Kuser, Sue Remmers, Scott Kudrna-Mayor, Kris Gill, Bob Hemmingsen, Kim Beger.
Guests were: Audrey Mohr- State Historic Preservation Office and Dr. Julie Taylor-Costello- Peru State College Director - Institute of Community Engagement.
Absent: Shane Charbonnet

Scott announced the Open Meetings Act.

Audrey Mohr and Dr. Julie Taylor-Costello were introduced as guest.

The revised Ordinance was passed by the Auburn City Council on October 8, 2012. The revisions were to coincide with the new revisions made by the State Historical Preservation Office. Discussion on the revisions.

Applying for a CLG (Certified Local Government) was presented by Audrey. The steps that need to be taken to apply for a CLG are to:

- Have a biography or summary of all members of the Historical Preservation Board
- Need to have the minutes of each meeting
- Explain the steps that are currently being taken to create a Historic District

Mapping the District boundaries: All the members have been given a map at a previous meeting. They were to outline where they would like to see the District boundaries. The boundaries were discussed by all the members and drawn on a fresh map. There was consensus on the boundaries. Kim will talk to John Billings at the Board of Public Works and see if he can get prepare a map up with the boundaries.

Audrey has suggested that the Historical Preservation Board hold an Open House with a personal invitation to all the property owners, tenants in the proposed district. So they can see where the district boundaries are, meet the board members and ask any questions or concerns that they may have. This was agreed upon by all and the Open House will be held **November 5, 2012 6-7 p.m. at the Auburn City Hall**. Maps will be available for review.

Applying for the Federal National Historic District Certification does not need to happen right now. Audrey has not received clarification from the Park Service regarding some questions she has asked. This will be tabled for now and once other parts of the District are in order, then we will apply for the Federal National Historic District Certification.

Dr. Julie Taylor- Costello, Director-Institute of Community Engagement spoke about what her position at Peru State College is and how she has been speaking with faculty at Peru State College to get involved with projects that the City of Auburn is working on. Dr. Sara Crook would like to work with the City of Auburn's National Historic District and board. Dr. Crook will implement the work of the Historic District in her spring semester class. The students will be researching the properties that are in the District and will help with writing the application for the CLG. They will also explore grant opportunities that the

Historic District may apply for. The Board looks forward to the relationship and partnership with Peru State College and their students.

What Next:

Need resumes for all the Board members. Audrey will send a questionnaire down that will be used for this request.

Send out the newly drawn Historic District map to all members for final approval

Open House: November 5, 2012, 6-7 p.m. at the Auburn City Hall. Letters and flyers will be sent to all the property owners and tenants within the District boundaries. Maps and the Historic District Ordinance will be available.

The next meeting will be announced later. It was discussed not to have a meeting in December.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Beger