

## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF A WORK SESSION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION HELD AUGUST 11, 2009**

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Eufaula met in work session Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at 3:30 p.m. in the Municipal Courtroom at the Eufaula Police Department Complex, 545 East Barbour Street. Upon call of the roll the following members were present: Chairman David Ongemach, Doug Purcell, Bruce Turner, Judi Mathisen. Absent: Vice Chairman Curtis Williams.

Also present: Ron Cassady, TV-99; Anastasia Harbuck, The Eufaula Tribune; Ray Buckingham and Don Kellogg.

Chairman Ongemach called the meeting to order and stated it is his goal to shorten the time spent in monthly work session.

Discussion was held regarding the terms of office of HPC members, as well as two pending appointments for available positions. The secretary stated she will check on the status of Vice Chairman Williams' reappointment, as official City records show his term expired March 17, 2009.

Chairman Ongemach stated a letter has been received from Mary Mason Shell of the Alabama Historical Commission re-certifying the City of Eufaula for participation in the Certified Local Government program. He noted by being CLG certified, the City is eligible to receive federal grants and technical assistance provided by the program.

Chairman Ongemach stated election of officers should be placed on next month's agenda, and asked Commission members to be in thought regarding the matter.

Discussion was held regarding the date and location of the September meeting. Due to conflicts in schedules, it was decided to hold the Commission meeting on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at the Eufaula Carnegie Library. The work session will begin at 3:30 PM, with the regular meeting to begin at 4:00 PM.

Discussion was held regarding proposed changes to the Design Review Manual. Chairman Ongemach stated following last month's meeting, he researched the use of glass block, and found that its architectural use dates back to the turn of the century. He found no mention of the use of glass block in the Design Review Manual. Discussion was also held regarding the height of fences. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Commission that no changes should be made to the Design Review Manual at this time.

Discussion was held regarding proposed amendment to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, as well as implementation or adoption of the Alabama Historical Commission's model rules for expedited review of COA's. Mr. Purcell suggested

waiting until the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting for further discussion of the AHC document in order to allow time for Ms. Mathisen and Mr. Turner to review the material. The secretary will forward a copy to them via e-mail.

Ms. Mathisen suggested all property owners in the locally designated historic district be sent a copy of page one of the Design Review Guidelines with the next mailing.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn.

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OF THE CITY OF EUFAULA, ALABAMA  
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David Ongemach, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Teri Bush, Secretary/CLG Liaison