Evansville Historic Preservation Commission

**Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015, 6:30 P.M.**

**Evansville City Hall**

**Present:** Steve Culbertson, Rich Modaff, Betsy Ahner, Ald. Gene Lewis, John Decker,

Matt Koser, and Steve Christens.

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Greg Helgesen, Dan Laux, Paul Liesse, and Laura Michel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chair Richard Modaff.

Motion by Culbertson to waive the reading of the March 18, 2015 minutes and approve them as printed. Second by Christens. Motion carried.

Citizen appearances other than on agenda items listed: Greg Helgesen informed the Commission that he plans to purchase the property at 268 W. Liberty Street with the intention of constructing a new single-family residence on the site to replace the structure destroyed by fire. Mr. Helgesen displayed renderings of three styles of buildings having architectural details he believes are compatible with adjacent houses in the Historic District. He will make an application to the Commission before commencement of construction.

**Applications**

119 Garfield Avenue. – Motion by Koser to accept the application. Second by Culbertson. Paul Liesse and Laura Michel appeared in support of the request to replace deteriorated storm windows with new storms constructed to existing dimensions, and to add gutters and downspouts. Motion carried unanimously.

134 Grove Street – Motion by Ahner to accept the application. Seconded by Christens. Dan Laux appeared in support of the proposal to replace existing deteriorated roof shingles with asphalt architectural or 3-tab shingles, and to repair soffits. Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business**

None presented.

**Old Business**

Baker Building Museum. Ahner reported that Val Eaton is serving as museum coordinator for the Grove Society and is maintaining hours at the museum on Saturday afternoons. Visitor attendance has increased, and the museum collection is being organized and cataloged. The museum will be open during the 4th of July activities at the park. Window curtains have been purchased, and the Grove Society is planning a “Local Heroes” program in cooperation with the Eager Free Public Library.

**Other Business**

Chairman Modaff noted that the Commission’s reorganization meeting, including election of officers, will take place during the May monthly meeting.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Culbertson. Second by Koser. Motion carried at 6:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John Decker

Acting secretary

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