

CITY OF AURORA  
OHIO  
**Landmark Commission**  
Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2019

The Landmark Commission met in a scheduled meeting Thursday, April 18, 2019 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Jeff Clark called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Lauren Broderick  
Jeff Clark  
Jason Coleman  
John Kudley  
Absent: Tim Holder  
Also Present: Meredith Davis, Ass't. Director, Planning, Zoning & Building Division  
Ron Lowe, Advisor to Landmark Commission  
Marie Lawrie, Secretary

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION: To adopt the minutes of the January 17, 2019 meeting**

Mr. Kudley moved; Mr. Coleman seconded, and the motion carried on a 3-0-1 roll call vote.  
Yeas: Mr. Kudley, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Clark  
Nays: None  
Abstention: Ms. Broderick

**MOTION: To adopt the minutes of the February 21, 2019 meeting**

Ms. Broderick moved; Mr. Coleman seconded, and the motion carried on a 3-0-1 roll call vote.  
Yeas: Ms. Broderick, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Clark  
Nays: None  
Abstention: Mr. Kudley

There were not enough members present that were in attendance on March 21, 2019 to adopt the meeting minutes. They will be considered at the next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**196 S CHILLICOTHE ROAD, SECRET GARDEN – POST SIGN**

Amy Hardacre, 60 South Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio was in attendance to answer questions. She was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace the existing sign with a new post sign. The existing sign was stated be approximately 2 foot wide. The new sign will be 20" x 36" and made of PVC material with vinyl graphics. The sign will be double-sided. The colors were stated to be black lettering and details on a white background. Both pieces of the existing sign will be removed. The new sign will be

mounted on the existing bracket. Mr. Clark abstained from the vote, as the company he works for is making the sign.

**MOTION: To issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for post sign, as submitted**

Ms. Broderick moved, Mr. Coleman seconded, and the motion carried on a 3-0-1 roll call vote.

Yeas: Ms. Broderick, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Kudley

Nays: None

Abstention: Mr. Clark

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**Light Post Replacement**

Mr. Clark asked about light posts that were to be replaced. He asked if there were any drawings the members could see. Ms. Davis will inquire.

**Ray Harmon Property**

Mr. Clark stated that he read in the newspaper that the Ray Harmon property needs extensive updates before it can be occupied. He asked what those updates might be. Ms. Davis will inquire.

**Projects for 2019**

Projects for 2019 were discussed including anything the members might like to do toward the Master Plan objectives, landmarking of any new properties, possibly a Cleveland Restoration project. The Highlands subdivision and Four Seasons were discussed as possible areas that could be landmarked. The train station historical marker is expected and the membership will be asked to approve the wording of that marker. Norfolk Southern has 2 years to install that marker and will incur the cost of the sign. Ms. Broderick suggested a social event for landmarked property owners, possibly paired with the walking tour and the 220<sup>th</sup> birthday of the community. A renovation fair was also suggested. More research will be done. This topic will return to the agenda for the next meeting.

**Walking Tour**

Mr. Kudley spoke with the Mayor about cantilevered signs, such as the one installed at Pioneer Park, possibly being installed along the walking tour sites.

**National Registry**

Ms. Broderick mentioned the possibility of helping property owners with applications for the National Registry. The process was reviewed as it pertains to the Landmark Commission Chapter 183, of the Aurora Codified Ordinances. Mr. Lowe explained that there was a greater interest in this when there was a tax incentive to do so. Mr. Clark discussed his idea of giving the property tax funds back to homeowners to improve their properties in the historic district. CRA districts were discussed.

**AHS Update**

Katie Trook is working with Heinen's to put Aurora Historical Society items on display. The museum will redone.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.**

Mr. Kudley moved to adjourn at 7:17 p.m. Mr. Coleman seconded, and the motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

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Jeff Clark - Chairman

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Marie Lawrie - Secretary