

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

April 28, 2008

Be it remembered that the Oxford Historic Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Tuesday April 8, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall courtroom with the following members present:

Cody Giles, Chairman
Jeff Asti
Ellis Fisher
Farish Percy
Eva Joyce Price
Harry Owens
Molissia Swaney

Tim Akers, City Planner
Katrina Hourin, Assistant City Planner
Tiffany Hatcher, Historic Preservation Consultant
Alicia Thompson, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Giles.

After the meeting was called to order, the following business was transacted:

Motion was made by Commissioner Asti and seconded by Commissioner Percy to accept the minutes from March 11, 2008.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

There came for discussion **Case #044 – 919 Buchanan. (Postponed)**

There came for discussion **Case #048 – 619 University Avenue.** Sidney Allen came before the Commission seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove the existing roof and construct a one story structure to match the adjoining building. He stated that he would like to move the existing wall four feet to adjoin it to the existing building. He also stated that the materials used would match the adjoining structure. Mr. Allen also stated that he would like to make an addition to his request and also take in the upstairs window of his brother's property. He informed the Commission that there was no objection from the property owner. Further discussion was made regarding the request. Motion was made by Commissioner Owens and seconded by Commissioner Giles to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Discussion of National Register Plaques

Tim Akers informed the Commission that National Register plaques could be purchased for historic properties located within the local historic districts. He provided the Commission with photographs of the different styles of plaques that could be purchased and stated that he would like to see consistency within the neighborhoods. Mr. Akers also informed the Commission that property owners could purchase the plaques for \$300 - \$400 each and would be responsible for installation of the plaques. Commissioner Giles agreed that every neighborhood should be consistent in the style of plaques used. Comments came from Commissioner Ellis stating that the goal for installing the plaques should be to increase visibility of tourists to the local historic districts. Historic Preservation Consultant, Tiffany Hatcher informed the Commission that Mobile, Alabama currently uses National Register Plaques and that two plaques are placed on each historic property. The first plaque for each property symbolizes that it is part of the National Register for Historic Places and the second plaque provides details or descriptions of the individual historic property. After further discussion of the plaques, Mr. Akers informed the Commission that he would contact the designer of the plaques regarding the different styles available and provide information at the next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.