

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Minutes from the meeting of December 3, 2015:

### Attendees:

Gary Gover	Sissy Birindelli	Joe Birindelli	Jonathan Smith
Ralph Thayer	Donnie Barrett	Linda Jones	Harriet Gutknecht

### Historic Preservation Ordinance:

Several councilmen have responded favorably to the Ordinance. Rich Mueller has been working to put the Ordinance on the agenda for further discussion, however, the agenda for the December City Council Meeting has not yet been published. The present document has been transformed from the original Ordinance and is now much more straightforward and clear.

### Planning & Zoning:

Jonathan Smith (Planning & Zoning Director) reported on the final draft from the last public meeting concerning the Comprehensive Plan and future city growth. He stated that the plan is a hybrid between #1 and #2 and remains somewhat conservative. Also, there are many obstacles in carrying out the Comprehensive Plan especially in the un-zoned, 'out-of-the-city-limits' areas where Planning and Zoning has limited authority. Promotion of historic properties draws tourism and can encourage green ways, trails, etc. There has been applications for additional subdivisions out by the future Catholic School. Jonathan states that growth is a positive problem to deal with.

### Committee Bylaws:

Gary will obtain the final copy of the Bylaws now that they have been approved by the city council.

### Treasury:

There is currently \$18,777.63 in the treasury. Harriet distributed copies of the Financial Update to all committee members. The 2-disc copies of the Historic Survey were distributed to Donnie Barrett, Linda Jones, Ralph Thayer, and Sissy & Joe Birindelli.

### Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Thursday January 7, 2016 @ 9:30 am at the Fairhope Museum.

Minutes prepared by Linda Jones, HPC Secretary