

Historic Park Committee Minutes
Thursday, February 11, 2019
Old Freight Room of Main Street Offices, Carbondale, Illinois
6:00 PM

Introduction and roll call:

Mr. Grant called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Members present:

Bruce Ashby, Kevin Clark, Tom Grant-Chair, Gary Martin, Ed Van Awken, and John Williams

Member Absent:

April McCreary

Special reports:

A Julie survey will be ordered for the Park by Mark McDaniel, City Arborist, in the next two weeks to determine existing utilities on site i.e., water, sewer, cable and gas.

New business:

A work committee is being organized to investigate and obtain bricks from the Murphysboro Gas & Electric Plant that was recently demolished. Will Smith, Mayor of Murphysboro, is donating the bricks to be used for the development of Founds Park.

Old business:

Madison Case an independent videographer is a potential candidate to produce the Parks' YouTube promotional videos.

Update on progress of layout drawings -

In her absence, April McCreary sent an updated virtual rendering of the Park to Mr. Grant to be shared with the Park committee members.

Compilation and editing of the narrative pages for the Park brochure –

Mr. Grant and Mr. Van Awken are still working on the brochure. They are continuing to collect visual images to help portray the Park concept; and they are formatting the collective material in a Publisher file to facilitate the editing process.

Outreach to the Masonry Council –

Mr. Grant will contact Bill Orell liaison for the downstate laborers Union.

Private/public partnership:

Discussion on possible NRPA assistance program.

None.

Possible local, county, state, and federal assistance

Mr. Clark has identified a potential grant opportunity with the IDNR.

General comments

Bruce Ashby will bring historical reproductions from the Maycock book so the material can be properly cited.

Adjournment