

**BOARD OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting:

Tuesday:

February 17, 2015:

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Historic Preservation Commissioners of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the City Commission Room at City Hall at 8:00 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2015.

The Historic Preservation Commissioners present or absent were as follows:

Present: Andrew Nielsen, Michael Burns, Mike Hahn, Christine Kloubec,
Heather Fischer, Dirk Ockhardt

Absent: Paul Gleye

Chair Burns called the meeting to order and welcomed Members to the meeting.

Item 1: Minutes: Regular Meeting of December 16, 2014

Mr. Ockhardt moved the minutes of the December 16, 2014 Historic Preservation Commission meeting be approved. Second by Mr. Nielsen. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 2: Milton Beebe National Register District (Ron Ramsay)

Ron Ramsay, Associate Professor of Architecture at North Dakota State University, gave a presentation on the proposed M.E. Beebe Historic District. He discussed the brief chronology of Milton Earl Beebe's life and displayed slides showing Milton's various projects, including banks, hotels, religious, industrial warehouse, government, commercial retail, and residential projects. He summarized the evolution of the properties within the proposed M.E. Beebe Historic District stating the proposed historic district would be the area located at the northeast corner of 3rd Avenue North and 8th Street North in Fargo.

Assistant Planner Dawn Mayo stated Thursday, February 19 is the deadline for submission of the proposed historic district to the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Review Board. She stated the State Review Board will then meet on April 24, 2015.

Ms. Kloubec moved to approve the nomination of the M.E. Beebe Historic District to the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Review Board. Second by Mr. Nielsen. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 3: Other Business

Ms. Mayo stated the construction around City Hall will make parking difficult for public meetings; therefore, meetings after May 1 will be held at the Fargo Park District Depot located at 701 Main Avenue.

Item 4: Liaison Reports

Planning Commission – Christine Kloubec

Board of Adjustment – Heather Fischer

Ms. Fischer noted 3 Board of Adjustment items:

- 1) At the November 25, 2014 meeting, there was an item to appeal an administrative decision because the appellant claimed that staff erred in determining that certain materials were not permitted in the DMU, Downtown Mixed-Use zoning district as outlined in Section 20-0212 of the Land Development Code. She noted the Board of Adjustment acknowledged the Planning Department was in error by denying the use of Corten steel as the applicant had presented the use of the material.
- 2) At the January 27, 2015 meeting there was a variance request for property at 821 5th Avenue South to allow a building addition to encroach into the required front setback area within the SR-3, Single-Dwelling Residential zoning district which was approved by the Board.
- 3) At the January 27, 2015 meeting, there was an item to appeal an administrative decision because the appellant claimed that staff erred in determining that property was adjacent to a “collector” roadway and therefore not permitted to have an Electronic Messaging Center sign larger than 48 square-feet, as outlined in Section 20-1307 of the Land Development Code. She noted the Board of Adjustment denied the appeal.

Item 5: Next Meeting – March 17, 2015

Mr. Burns moved the meeting be adjourned. Second by Mr. Ockhardt. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

The time at adjournment was 9:15 a.m.