



402 LEE STREET
DECATUR, ALABAMA 35601
March 4, 2025
MINUTES

Council Chambers

Historic Preservation Commission

4:00 PM

I CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 4:00 PM

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 10, 2024

Roll Call:

Present: John Allison, Trudy Grisham, Bill Stone, Michelle Washington, Phil Wirey

Absent: Caroline Duncan and Angie Whittington

III PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV BOARD BRIEFING/BUSINESS:

Closed Out Projects:

Sykes Cemetery

Phil Wirey would like to know why information on unmarked graves is not on the public website. Staff informed him that the city does not publically release information on unmarked graves and in the past the state has confirmed this policy is preferred to respect site integrity.

Phil Wirey also added that he thought the city was close to acquiring Lafayette Cemetery, but still working through the process for Dancy Garth and Sykes Cemeteries.

Digital tours for Old Decatur & Albany

Underrepresented Communities Grant

Projects Nearing Completion:

Delano Park HSR

Current Projects:

Old State Bank

Carnegie Library Conditions Assessment

Albany/2nd Avenue National Register Update

Walking brochure for Tourism

Requested Funding:

Underrepresented Communities Grant (NPS)

HERS Grant for Old State Bank (NPS)

Civil Rights Grant First Missionary Baptist Church (NPS)

Educational Trust Fund Grant (ETF) for updated architecture and design history for Old Decatur and Albany

Educational Trust Fund Grant (ETF) for a digital tour of Old Town East and West

Future Projects:

Historic Preservation Month (May)

Preservation awards

Preservation stories (Facebook)

Other ideas?

List forwarded from ARB includes 809 Line, 213 Cherry, 629 Jackson, 623 Jackson, Bonnie Goodman, and Ricky Thompson. Phil Wirey proposes adding Michael Coulter for his work on Dancy-Garth Cemetery.

Motion to approve submitted list and add Michael Coulter by John Allison, seconded by Bill Stone. Unanimous approval, motion carried.

ARB & HPC Board Training

Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:09 by Trudy Grisham, seconded by Michelle Washington. Unanimous approval, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.