

FORT CALHOUN ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING March 28, 2016  
6:00 PM Fort Calhoun City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Judy Boyd, Chairman; the open meeting policy was announced.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Committee members included Judy Boyd, Rosemary Therkildsen, Cheri Oelke, Lori Lammers, Sue Newman, Amanda Schrum and Coleene Robinson.

Absent: Ginger Appel

Copies of the February 29<sup>th</sup> minutes were distributed and read by all. A move to approve was made by Lori and seconded by Amanda.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Signs for the mature trees on Main Street:**

Sue provided 3 samples of the sign materials and lettering styles available from the Sign Depot in Blair.

12" x 18" sign in the PolyMetal 3mm material will cost \$38.00 each plus the print.

The black background with white letters was the favored choice.

A motion was made by Rose and seconded by Cheri to move forward with the signs from Sign Depot.

Sue will write up a history and description of what we want the sign to say and submit it for a proof and a price quote.

**Installation of a "patio" at the Elementary School Historical Marker:**

The Enhancement Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, to measure the area and determine the size to be submitted for a quote.

Judy reported that she has talked to the monument company regarding a stone marker to display the historic picture of the school and it was suggested that instead of a marble marker, we have the picture mounted on a boulder that would be installed at the patio site.

A move to start looking for an appropriate boulder was made by Amanda and seconded by Colleen.

Judy and Lori volunteered to find a source for the boulder.

**City Hall Flag Pole**

A recent inspection of the flag pole revealed that the Soldier was not mounted with bands as previously believed but is actually bolted to the pole. If it were to be moved up to allow for landscape stone, there would be holes left in the pole which would lead to rust.

So the previous plan to put stone and river rock around the pole is no longer an option.

This Spring we will look at other options.

**Condition of trees:** Lori reported that the damaged tree has been trimmed. Hopefully now that the branches of this tree start up higher, they will be out of the way of further damage. The previous vandalism was reported to the Washington County Sheriff. In addition, Judy will ask Linda to post a sign on the City Hall bulletin board with a warning that the trees are City Property.

**Great American Clean Up for April:** Dumpsters and burn permits will be available April 9<sup>th</sup> through the 24<sup>th</sup>. The Enhancement Committee will hold our Spring Cleaning date on April 16<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at City Hall at 9 am. Lori will contact the newspaper and make flyers to encourage others in the town to join in the clean up effort.

**Spring Planting:** Any available Enhancement Committee members will meet at City Hall at 9am on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> to go to the Washington County Growers to reserve plants for our containers.

**Farmers Market:** Amanda submitted a draft of the survey to be sent to potential vendors to determine the interest in continuing the Farmers Market. The draft was approved by all and a motion was made and seconded to send the survey to Linda to be posted on the Fort Calhoun website.

**Heritage Days:** In the past our participation has been to give out free watermelon. Due to the later date for the event, we will need to determine another way to be involved. We will wait until we have more information about the event before we decide on a role for our committee.

**Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

A move to adjourn was made by Amanda and seconded by Lori. The meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled for Monday, April 25, 2016, 6:00 pm at City Hall.

Cheri Oelke  
FCEC Secretary