

# **Smithfield City Historic Preservation Commission Minutes**

## **Monday, December 21, 2020**

The Smithfield City Historic Preservation Commission met at 51 North Main in Smithfield, Utah on Monday, December 21, 2020. The meeting began at 7:00 pm

Commission Members in attendance: Jeff Gittins,  
Jon Wells, Craig Neilson, Mike Harris, Stephen Teuscher.  
Excused: Juli Weber, Glen Jay Thornley  
Visitors: Jeff Barnes

Welcome by Jeff Gittins, Chair, who conducted the meeting.

Opening/Prayer by Mike Harris.

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Jeff Gittins reminded the commission that Steve Cornell had recently met with several members, taken measurements, and evaluated changes that were needed to update and convert the Rock Mercantile Building into a functioning museum. Jeff explained that Steve had produced some conceptual drawings (internal and external), at no cost, for the building. We now have the drawings for our review.

Commission members expressed excitement and gratitude for the drawings.

The time was turned to Jon Wells for discussion. Jon talked about some modifications suggested by Steve Cornell to the Rock Mercantile Building. There was some concern about moving the wall too far East and thus reducing the available the display area on the main floor. The commission members discussed abolishing the East wall and the proposed 35 square foot storage room, creating more open room on the display room floor. Members expressed satisfaction with all other recommendations that Mr. Cornell had suggested to the inside and outside of the building.

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It was suggested that we spend the \$3,000.00 recently received from a Rocky Mountain Power grant to improve to the front façade (West side) of the building. New doors, windows, and repainting the “Groceries and Dry Goods” sign were some of the ideas presented. It was noted that, if needed, some contributions in the Preservation account could be used.

There was some discussion about funding/grant possibilities for the Rock Mercantile Building and Historic Tabernacle projects. Some ideas were:

Restaurant Tax Grant

RAPZ

CBDG – administered by BRAG

Rocky Mountain Power Grant

CLG - apply by February 12<sup>th</sup>

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Wells seconded by Harris.

Yes Vote: Gittins, Wells, Neilson, Harris, Teuscher

No Vote: none

Meeting adjourned 7:56 pm.

\*Approving the minutes of the June 20, 2020 minutes was inadvertently overlooked. They were e-mailed to each committee member and then a vote to approve was sent back. Voting was unanimous to approve the minutes.