

# CITY OF BENSON

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2014 – 9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Benson Historic Preservation Commission was held on  
Saturday, November 15, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.  
at the Benson City Hall,  
120 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Benson, AZ 85602

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Vicki L. Vivian, CMC, City Clerk

### MINUTES

Chair Ruth Wilson opened the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Members present: Ruth Wilson, Joanne Sturgeon, Phyllis Little, Gerry Thomson, and Irma Bernal.

#### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Michelle Johnson from the City of Benson, was present.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Minutes of the September 20, 2014, Meeting were approved. Vote 5-0.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Eligibility of 4<sup>th</sup> Street Properties for Historic Register: Michelle Johnson reported that Bob Comey was here in October, and has begun his review of the properties for placement on the Historic Register. The first report is due in December 2014, on eleven of the structures being reviewed for eligibility.

2. Hotel Arnold Report: No change in status. The property remains for sale.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Apache Park Project: Ruth Wilson and Michelle Johnson attended a group meeting of Benson Clean and Beautiful, but no progress has been made toward grants.

3. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Cemetery: Phyllis Little advised that Alwine Frega said the plaque has been placed in the cemetery. She would like someone to notify Liz Brenner, Eddie Ellsworth and Vay Fenn, since they each contributed lots of effort toward getting this done. She also thought a group photo might be in order. Ruth Wilson and Michelle Johnson agreed to work toward accomplishing both.

Alwine also mentioned that the wood and plastic kiosk containing historical facts is damaged, and rainwater seeping in. Ruth stated she would take care of that project.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Review and approve paint colors for Barrio properties owned by Gus Figueroa. Gus Figueroa was not present so no review was done.

4. Gerry Thomson informed the members the preparation of the original intended location of The San Pedro Valley Museum murals cost would be prohibitive. Therefore the alternative plan is to have the murals painted on the museum street-side shutters instead. Since the shutters are a part of the building neither Ruth nor Michelle thought City approval would be required; thus no vote was taken.

5. Meeting Scheduling. Ruth stated the next meeting would be scheduled for January 17, 2015.

6. **ADJOURNED:** Ruth Wilson called the meeting to a close at 9:26 a.m.

