

CITY OF BENSON

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

SATURDAY September 15, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Benson Historic Preservation Commission was held on
Saturday, September 15, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.
at Long Realty, Benson,
120 W. 6th Street, Benson, AZ 85602

Vicki L. Vivian, CMC, City Clerk

AMENDED MINUTES

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

Members present: Ruth Wilson, Gerry Thomson, Irma Bernal, Alwine Frega. Absent: Joanne Sturgeon.
As of this day Gus Figueroa has not renewed his membership.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

1. Michelle Johnson from the City of Benson.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Minutes of Regular Meeting July 21, 2018 were approved Vote 4-0, 1
Memberships up for renewal: Alwine Frega renewed by July 31, 2018, Gus Figueroa has not.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on the 4th Street Historical Register Survey: Ruth Wilson reported Ryden Architects, Inc. has been working on the 4th Street Historical Register Survey and some progress has been made. Michelle Johnson and Ruth Wilson have spoken to Don from the Ryden Architects, Inc. and suggested Gerry Thomson and Alwine Frega be contacted to help with the historical information needed. Don has been in contact with Gerry and Alwine and they have agreed to help compile the information needed. Irma Bernal and Ruth Wilson, along with Michelle Johnson have all agreed to help in any way they can. Hopefully, with everyone involved the project will continue much quicker. Michelle reminded us the State has given us \$5,000 in addition to the previous \$10,000 to help with the project and the grant will be closing the end of September, when the Ryden Architects, Inc will be paid after providing the amount of work they have accomplished so far. More information will be forth coming as the project progresses.
2. Hotel Arnold update: It was reported the project has slowed down since Cindy Allen has become involved in other projects. Further information will be forth coming as the project progresses.
3. Hi Wo Store update: The building continues to deteriorate, however future plans for the building remain on hold.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Apache Park Project
 - a. Ruth continues to search for grants and she is working with Vicki Vivian who is the acting City Manager about the future of the Historical Preservation Commission's financial account (\$1,400).

b. Fund raising: ideas continue to be discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New officers were elected and approved- **Chair**- Gerry Thomson, **Vice Chair**- Ruth Wilson, Secretary- Alwine Frega.
2. Meeting scheduling: Ruth stated the next meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2018

ADJOURNED: Ruth Wilson called the meeting to a close at 9:47 a.m.