



## MAIN STREET PROGRAM

### HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, July 15, 2016

11:00 a.m.

City Hall Annex Building Conference Room

211 North River Street

Seguin, Texas 78155

Members Present:     Mary Reiley             Paul Mueller  
                              Bambi Rucker            Trey Pounds  
                              Eve Hiner                 Gerald Bodin  
                              Greg Dreiss

Others Present:        Kyle Kramm               Christy Hopper  
                              Larry Dauk

1. Call to Order.

*The meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m.*

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the remaining structure at 200 S. Camp Street – Kyle Kramm, Main Street Director.

*Per Kramm, the original structure of the First Baptist Church, 200 South Camp Street, was built in 1877 out of limecrete. There was a small addition added in 1916 and a larger one added in the 1950's. On Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 1:30 a.m. the building caught on fire. Fortunately, the six residents were able to escape with no injury, but the building is severely damaged. Kramm presented photos, the roof caved into the first floor causing the first floor to fall; and cracks in the walls had developed throughout the remaining structure from the fire. It was determined, that due to life and safety hazards the south portion of the building built in the 1950's needed to be demolished as soon as possible. The southern portion of the building was demolished on Wednesday, July 13. It is believed the fire started on the outside of the building, which has been determined to be suspicious. The investigation continues with both state and local fire marshals.*

*Historic Design Review Committee needs to determine if the remaining structure should be repaired or torn down. The property owner wishes to tear down the building since the insurance company has determined it to be a total loss. If repairs are suggested to be done, there are emergency grants that can be submitted for structural engineering purposes, but there is no guarantee we would be given the grant, and ultimately, the repairs would be the owner's responsibility. Unfortunately, more than likely, the cost would be too high for the repairs, but as the Historic Preservation Officer, Kramm wanted to take to the board for direction. The Historic Design Review Committee needs to determine to either, allow the entire*

*building to be demolished at this time without the 90 day stay; or have the remaining structure evaluated by a structural engineer with a grant through the National Trust of Historic Preservation.*

*Mueller made a motion to allow the entire structure to be demolished at this time without the 90 day stay. Hiner second the motion. Motion carried.*

3. Adjourn.

*There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.*

  
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Mary Reiley, Chair  
Historic Design Review Committee

  
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