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The regular meeting of the Elkins Historic Landmarks Commission was called to order at 7:08 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2010.

Members of the commission in attendance were Carol Schuler, Phyllis Baxter, Logan Smith, Ellen Spears and David Turner. Spinner O'Flaherty and Megan, the VISTA volunteer, were in attendance.

Minutes from the November meeting, distributed via email prior to the meeting, were approved unanimously.

The treasurer's report was presented by Logan Smith and approved unanimously. Logan also said that he will be obtaining a debit card for use of EHLC.

In the public comment period, Spinner inquired about the status of the Carriage House and future plans for its use. EHLC commissioners reiterated their intentions of using the building as a staging area for the carriage ride business that is growing in Elkins. Logan and Ellen plan to meet with "Back in Times Carriage Rides."

Barrett Williams, the man who has been in touch with Ed Griesel and others in the past couple of years about the traffic lights in downtown Elkins, contacted Carol requesting to buy some of the historic Darly lights. Spinner O'Flaherty pointed out that not all of the street lights are historic.

Ellen gave an ON TRAC report summarizing the activities of the past year and sharing the feedback from the Preserve America application. Commissioners provided her with additional information needed to complete the application. The designs for the project conceived by the Design Committee, have been received from Michael Gioulis and will be discussed by ON TRAC committees on February 9th and 16th.

Carol gave an update on the porch project saying that all of the elements have been approved by Michael Mills and work will be getting underway soon. The inclement weather has hindered progress. Ellen agreed to contact the two tenants to thank them for their patience and understanding with the inconveniences of the porch project.

Carol announced that the Wees Lighting Project grant request was finished and sent in.

Both First Ward School and Riverside School have been listed on the National Historic Register.

Phyllis reviewed the EHLC work plans.

EHLC By-Laws state that elections will be held in January. The current slate of officers was proposed and unanimously re-elected.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Ellen P. Spears