

**I. CALL TO ORDER –**

A special meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was held in the City Council Chambers at the City Hall on Thursday, Marc 14, 2019 commencing at 5:00 p.m. Chair Kotelnicki called the meeting to order.

**A. ROLL CALL:**

Commissioner (Chair)	Darlene Kotelnicki	Present
Commissioner	Sid Willson	Absent
Commissioner	Frank Koch	Absent
Commissioner (Plan. Comm. Rep)	Mike Flaata	Present
Commissioner	Dave Welker	Present
Commissioner	Kateri Kormann	Present
Commissioner	Kevin Hovey	Present
Commissioner, non-voting	Bill Hicks	Present

**II. BUSINESS FOR SPECIALMEETING - Possible Clock for Sibley Avenue**

A. Discussion on placement of up to four possible clocks - The clocks in downtown Litchfield were all located on the west side of Sibley Avenue. One was in front of 115 North Sibley Avenue; one was in front of 215 North Sibley Avenue; one was in front of 227 North Sibley Avenue; and one was in front of 301 North Sibley Avenue. The HPC can suggest a property but the final placement of the clock(s) will be up to MN DOT and related to several requirements. Pros and cons of the various sites were discussed. Any clocks would need to be on the west side as they were originally otherwise a new location could create a false sense of history. Bill Hicks pointed out that historically, clocks were often in front of jewelry stores. Darlene commented that 215 and 227 were both jewelry stores. Dave suggested we avoid stoplight areas due to possible interference with people looking at the clock. Kevin and Mike preferred one clock. Kevin suggested that two clocks may be too crowded. Kateri commented that a clock on the 300 block would not be complimented by the courthouse facade. All agreed by consensus that we should avoid intersections. Darlene explained that our role was to select two possible sites for clocks, not to select a clock or exact location. The City is requesting this information to determine the cost of the infrastructure needed for the clock. There was significant discussion about the role of the HPC, where the request came from, and who would fundraise. These questions will be answered in the future after the council makes a decision about the infrastructure. Mayor Johnson was present and suggested the HPC just select possible sites; other matters can be decided in the future.

MOTION: To request the City of Litchfield place infrastructure at 215 North Sibley Avenue and 227 North Sibley Avenue (Kateri/Mike/Roll call vote Kateri, Mike, and Darlene Yes and Dave and Kevin No. Motion passed).

B. Discussion on the style of Clock - The information sent to Sue Granger is included in the packet. If approved by the Council, she will review this and be working with the HPC and MN DOT. The process would be similar as to the one used for street lights and other amenities.

**III. ADJOURNMENT – 5:45 p.m.**

DARLENE KOTELNICKI  
CHAIRPERSON