

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
OF JUNE 3, 2013 MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Wood at 4:01 P.M. in Conference Room 108 of City Hall Plaza.

PRESENT: Ken Wood; Alderperson Gary Cummings; Bill Penker, Vickie Schnitzler; and, Keith Meacham.

ABSENT: Carl Scott (Excused) and Ken Bargender (Excused)

ALSO

PRESENT: Josh Miller, Planner/Zoning Administrator.

Approval of the Minutes of May 6, 2013 Meeting.

HP13-16 Motion by Penker second by Cummings to approve the minutes of the 5/6/2013 meeting.
Motion Carried.

Citizen Comments.

Wood said that next week we will begin taping the walking tours for community access. Start with the Upham area first and will be available for sale on DVD. Eventually work around to all of the walking tours.

Wood said they would also like to do a regularly scheduled TV show to discuss Marshfield History.

Schnitzler said the cemetery tours were able to tape each of the characters this year and will be on community access. They will link the videos to a QR Code walking tour brochure for Marshfield Cemeteries.

Schnitzler is working on taking pictures of blueprints. And she mentioned the webinar for Keith Meacham's presentation on the railroads.

Review of Columbia Park Properties for Possible Historic Designation.

Miller presented the map showing the boundaries of the Columbia Park Area. The boundaries shown would be the furthest extent of a potential district. The Committee suggested redoing the map to focus on the nine-block area around Columbia Park for next month.

Discussion of Holding July Meeting at Columbia Park Neighborhood as a Walking Tour.

Meet at Columbia Park Band Shell for the July meeting. The Committee suggested including a rain location and staff will look into it.

Review of the School District Art Display Awards.

Wood, Meacham, and Schnitzler were in attendance at the Art Display Awards. Overall it was a good turnout. Schnitzler took pictures of the winner and pictures of the artwork and will be putting together a display of the artwork during the Fair. Staff distributed thank you cards that some of the winners sent to the Committee. Overall, it was a very positive experience.

Discussion about the Historic Preservation Conference in the Fall.

Miller said to watch out for a future notice about the fall conference. The registration forms should be available in July and staff will send out information as soon as it becomes available.

Discussion of Items for the 2014 Budget.

Miller shared the proposed budget with the Committee. The proposed total budget is \$1,980 unless a specific project is identified.

Staff has already looked at TAP funds as a grant resource for repair of the Soo Line Steam Locomotive No. 2442.

Penker pointed out that the Committee may not have the powers and duties to fix the locomotive. He suggested the best direction is to seek a grant for either historic preservation or transportation related activities. He also said that fundraising may also be questionable. We may want to discuss with Ed Englehart to try to get something into the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry budget.

Cummings said it's (the 2442) a piece of equipment that everyone looks at and it has value.

Penker asked how important the 2442 is to the rail enthusiasts. Meacham said he could talk to the Soo Line Technical and Historical Society to see if they would have an interest in being involved in fundraising efforts.

Penker said the Committee does have the authority to accept and solicit gifts under Sec. 18-141(2)(h). The Committee could receive another organization's gift if they were to raise funds for the 2442. Meacham suggested looking at going through the Friends of the 2442 group.

Penker asked if we could consider the renovation to the 2442 as a source for economic development. Maybe the Convention and Visitors Bureau could be a resource.

Staff will bring back items for next month for specific requests for the 2014 Budget to include a cost share for the 2442 repair and the "Escape" magazine.

Set Meeting Date and Future Agenda Items.

The next regular Historic Preservation Committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 1, 2013. The agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting should include approval of the June 3, 2013 meeting minutes, inventory and purchase of new yard signs for Historic Preservation Month, update on the grant for the 2442, update on 2013 Budget, and items for 2014 Budget.

Adjourn.

Motion by Cummings, second by Schnitzler to adjourn meeting at 4:54 P.M.

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'J' and 'M'.

Josh Miller
Planner/Zoning Administrator