

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**OF NOVEMBER 3, 2014 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; Ken Bargander; Vickie Schnitzler; Keith Meacham; and, Bill Penker.

**ABSENT:** Kris Keogh (excused)

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Charlotte Smith, Alderperson; Dennis Bargander, Contractor; Matt McLean, Director of the Convention and Visitors Bureau; Angie Eloranta, Executive Director of Main Street; and, Josh Miller, City Planner.

**Approval of the Minutes of October 6, 2014 Meeting.**

**HP14-32** Motion by Penker second by Schnitzler to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2014 meeting.

**Motion Carried.**

**Citizen Comments.**

Miller - Reminded everyone of the Great Things are Happening Here event on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm.

Bargander - The military history museum ribbon cutting is on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm by invitation at the library. Open to the public on Veterans Day.

Angie Eloranta – Blodgett House is having an open house on a Sunday in December.

**Update on the Soo Line Steam Engine No. 2442 Restoration Work.**

Dennis Bargander gave an update on the Soo Line Steam Engine No. 2442 restoration project. There was difficulty finding an exact match in the ceiling boards. He ended up buying pine that looks the same. He is hoping to finish the ceiling up this week and then finish the windows and glass to wrap it up at the end of next week, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Cummings asked if we could have a meeting at Wildwood Station in the spring so the Committee can see it. Miller will look into it.

Miller met on site with Meacham and after some discussion they decided to recommend waiting until the space can be open to the public before building and installing seats in the steam engine. We could make them removable when they do get made.

Wood will check with Appleton to see how they handled the seats on that engine.

**Update Regarding the Historic Tourism Plaques.**

Matt McLean stated they still have two options for language and the Chestnut Avenue Center for the

Arts Board will vote on language later this month. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am. They are trying to make the plaque have more of a historic reference. Staff will continue to reach out to them to keep the project moving forward.

**Certificate of Appropriateness Request by the City of Marshfield for reroofing the Round Barn, located at 513 East 17th Street.**

**HP14-33** Motion by Penker second by Meacham to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for reroofing the Round Barn as presented.

**Motion Carried.**

Miller stated that the Fair Commission has awarded a bid to refoof the Round Barn to Tri-County Contracting. The new shingles will be asphalt, similar to the existing shingles. The pattern and style will be similar to the existing shingles. The color chosen will have a slightly reddish tint (hickory). As part of the project, the contractor will replace any deteriorated or rotted decking under the shingles. Bid documents are attached.

**Discussion on the Concrete Replacement Work on the Interior of the Round Barn, Located at 513 East 17th Street.**

Miller provided an update of the concrete work for the Round Barn and the response from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The repairs are needed to make the facility safe for the animals, functional, and ADA accessible. The SHPO wants the design of the feed bunk replacement to be different so it matches a certain style found in the Round Barn. They also do not want the stanchions replaced.

The replacement of the feed bunks are being proposed the way they are as the curved style (the preferred style by the SHPO) would be very challenging replicate and there is no guarantee that was the original style. In addition, the squared off style will be more functional and much easier to clean and will allow them to include rebar so the concrete will last longer.

The stanchions are in need of replacement in areas where the concrete is being replaced. It is unlikely they will be able to be reused as most of them are too small for the size cattle that are there and the portion within the concrete is likely rusted, making them impossible to reuse.

Penker asked how often the Round Barn is used? Members responded that it gets used few times per year. He agreed that there is an obvious animal health and safety issue and wondered if DATCP would have advice on this regarding animal disease.

Bargender asked if they got an estimate for the sloped bunkers. Miller responded he did not believe so.

Do we have original blue prints? Miller asked if the Wood County Historical Society had them and no one was certain, but it was unlikely.

Charlotte Smith said that the Fair Commission is concerned about what is underneath the existing concrete.

McLean asked about repurposing the building to allow other events instead of replacing the stanchions.

Members of the Committee felt the safety and health aspect is vital so replacing the concrete made sense.

**Review of the 2014 Historic Preservation Conference from Attendees.**

Wood gave a review of some of the sessions he attended. Overall there were a number of very good programs. Lunch a presentation was given on the sunken ships of Lake Michigan. He picked up some of the brochures at the conference. Evansville’s historic walking tour brochure has all of their districts in one brochure and also included in the brochure were sketches of architectural features.

**Update on Downtown Master Plan.**

Miller gave an update on the planning process for the Downtown Master Plan and invited the Committee members to attend an open house for the Downtown Master Plan on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. The consultants will be available from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room in City Hall. They will also be available at the back of the Holiday Inn from 6:00 pm until whenever the parade disperses. Miller will send out information on the open house and the link to the survey via email.

**Set Meeting Date and Future Agenda Items.**

The December meeting is tentatively canceled. The next regular Historic Preservation Committee meeting will be held on Monday, January 5, 2014. The agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting should include approval of the November 3, 2014 meeting minutes, 2015 Budget, and Cultural Fair registration.

**Adjourn.**

Meeting adjourned at 4:56 P.M.

**Motion Carried**

Respectfully submitted,



Josh Miller  
City Planner