

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**OF MAY 4, 2015 MEETING**

Meeting called to order by Secretary Miller at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room 108 of City Hall Plaza.

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

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO**

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

**Election of Chairman.**

Nominations were held for Chairperson.  
Keogh nominated Wood.

There being no further nominations the Secretary declared the nominations closed.

**HP15-15** Motion by Penker second by Cummings to approve as Chairperson unanimous.  
**Motion Carried.**

Wood was elected Chairperson and took over as Chairperson of the meeting.

**Election of Vice-Chairman.**

Nominations were held for Vice-Chairperson.  
Penker nominated Meacham.

There being no further nominations the Chairperson declared the nominations closed.

**HP15-16** Motion by Schnitzler second by Keogh to approve Meacham as the Vice-Chairperson.  
**Motion Carried.**

Meacham was elected Vice-Chairperson.

**Approval of the Minutes of April 6, 2015 Meeting.**

**HP15-17** Motion by Cummings second by Schnitzler to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 meeting.  
**Motion Carried.**

**Citizen Comments.**

Penker read an article about the show American Pickers being in Wisconsin in June that is asking for those to call if they have an interest in participating in the show.

Bargender said that they have a May Historic Preservation Month Activities kickoff event on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. The student art awards need to be judged by this evening at the Library. The category for the Committee is Historical Marshfield.

Miller thanked those that helped with yard signs – Schnitzler, Keogh, Cummings, and Bargender.

Miller asked who would present the Stewardship Award at the May 12<sup>th</sup> Common Council meeting. Wood said he will do it.

Miller mentioned next year is the 100 year anniversary of the Round Barn. Matt McLean said a committee will be formed to put together activities for the Round Barn and Marshfield Clinic celebrating the 100 year anniversary.

Wood said his article in the News-Herald has been canceled. There will be one more column on the houses.

Schnitzler said the kickoff event for Historic Preservation Month activities will be at the Froelke Auditorium in the Melvin R. Laird Building at the Marshfield Clinic. A video of Melvin Laird will be there. All the historic groups will have tables at that event that starts about 6:00 pm. Wood and Bargender will help setup the table.

Wood said they assisted living facilities will be doing a bus tour of modern Marshfield in a couple of weeks.

### **Review of Spring Historic Preservation Conference in La Crosse.**

Wood discussed some experiences of the sessions he attended at the conference. A slide show of the photos he took while walking in La Crosse was shared with the group. Wood also shared some of the brochures he brought back with him. One of the major topics at the conference was cutting the tax credits for historic renovation in the upcoming State Budget. Marshfield's walking tour guides were big hits including the QR Codes.

Penker asked if the Hear Here program extended beyond the downtown. At this time it doesn't, but they are planning on expanding it.

Angie Eloranta asked how new that program was and if they changed the stories. Wood said that he thought the stories stayed the same. He will find out more about the program.

Matt McLean suggested you could have a QR Code linked to an mp3 file instead of calling in.

### **Discussion on Reimbursement of Expenses for the Spring Historic Preservation Conference in La Crosse.**

Wood was the only one who attended. Cummings felt we should reimburse the \$264.95

**HP15-18** Motion by Cummings second by Penker to reimburse Ken Wood for the \$264.95 for mileage and hotel.

**Motion Carried.**

### **Review of Tasks from the Special March Meeting.**

Due to time constraints this item was not discussed, the Committee agreed to bring back this item next month and the Committee should look at prioritizing them at the next meeting.

### **Review Photos of Buildings of Historical Interest.**

Schnitzler reviewed the photos of the buildings on a slideshow and gave brief histories of each. We will finish up the slideshow in June.

### **Discuss Criteria for Deciding Which Buildings of Historical Interest to Include in Brochures.**

Due to time constraints this item was not discussed, the Committee agreed to bring back this item next month.

### **Staff Updates.**

- a. Wisconsin Historic Society Individual Memberships. Miller presented two groups that the Committee could join. Staff will bring it back for discussion next month.
- b. Soo Line Steam Locomotive No. 2442 Restoration Work. Miller explained not much has been done since last month, but he will follow up with Dennis Bargander. Matt McLean asked if we wanted to showcase the restoration at Maple Fall Fest.
- c. Historic Preservation Ordinance Amendment. The public hearing notice was published on Saturday and the Public Hearing is set for May 19<sup>th</sup> at the Plan Commission meeting. Joe DeRose, with the State Historic Preservation Office, reviewed the proposed changes and gave approval.
- d. Committee Appointments. The Historic Preservation has not changed, but members Vickie Schnitzler and Bill Penker have been reappointed for 3 more years.

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

The next regular Historic Preservation Committee meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, 2015. The agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting should include approval of the Monday, May 4, 2015 meeting minutes, buildings of historical interest slide show, criteria for choosing which buildings are included in the buildings of historical interest brochure, historical memberships, QR Code updates, and identifying the location and discussing the agenda for the July meeting.

### **Adjourn.**

Motion by Penker, second by Schnitzler to adjourn meeting at 5:05 P.M.

### **Motion Carried**

Respectfully submitted,



Josh Miller  
City Planner