

**MINUTES**  
**Whitewater Landmarks Commission**  
**Thursday May 2, 2013 - 6 PM**  
**Cravath Lakefront Room**  
**312 Whitewater St. Whitewater, WI 53190**

**CALL TO ORDER**

I. Call to Order and roll call at 6:07 PM.

Chairperson Christ called the meeting to order at 6:07 and welcomed new council rep Sarah Bregant

Present: Carol Christ, Alan Marshall, Suzanne Haeslow, Sarah Bregant

Absent: Richard Helmick, Ken Keinbaum, Latisha Birkeland

Also present: Brandon Bockrath, Pangea mapping software consultant

II. Approval of agenda and possible rearrangement

Move to rearrange agenda by placing item IX at before item VI. Marshal motion; Bregant second

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

III. Approval of minutes of April 2, 2013

The minutes of April 2, 2013 were approved

Motion to approve the minutes as written.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

IV. Set date and time of next meeting - Thursday, June 6, 2013 - 6:00 P.M

The next meeting is set for Thursday June 6th in the Municipal building's conference room

V. Hear Citizen Comments: No formal Landmarks Commission Action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Commission discusses that particular item.

No citizen comments were made.

**REPORTS**

VI. Report from the Friends of the Mounds – FOTEM

Helmick submitted a written report

Chip Brown has been asked to confirm what is cataloged in the preserve, and what has not.

Denay Trykowski is waiting on Matt Amundson and Chuck Nass to make a decision about

spending money on plants for the preserve; the Parks and Rec board has approved a

design for the preserve flowers near the entrance.

VII. Update on Whitewater Passenger Depot

The ceremony at the depot on April 28th was very nice. It went well and was well attended.

VIII. Update on Birge Fountain

Roy Nosek is chair of the committee. The fountain needs cleaning, painting and water purification

on a continual basis. We currently do not have a representative on the committee. Hopes were

expressed that Keinbaum will take over the position. Bregant is willing if he can't.

IX. Update on Local Landmarks/Main Street Historic District Brochures

Some items were corrected and re-arranged. A QR code (for smartphones) was added. The tourism

board gave \$2000 to print it. Brandon Bockrath demonstrated mapping software used to make

"storymaps" where thumbnails can be clicked by users to gain more information. A discussion

ensued on preferences for overall organization, screen size and such. He can connect the pictures

to the information easily.

X. Update on Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve Preservation and Maintenance Plan

Helmick submitted a written report.

The city staff knows the appropriate path mowing route.

The stone benches and picnic tables need to be returned to the preserve.

The city is willing to use boulders as markers for the trails, if the boulders can be acquired at no cost to the city.

XI. WI Association of Historic Preservation Commissions (WAHPC) Spring Confernce

Held Saturday April 27th at the Milton Inn in Milton, WI--Christ and Helmick attended

Training on determining standards designation of declaring properties landmarks were held.

Christ has a CD that can be used for further trainings. Chip Brown gave a talk about the legalities of landmarks, especially re rescinding landmark status.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**XII. National Parks Service Annual Report for CLGs (Certified Local Government)**

Christ submitted the report to DC with a list of all potentially eligible items.

**XIII. Implementing 17.08.040 of Title 17 re: city owned historically significant personal property.**

No report--we will wait for Birkeland to discuss further.

**XIV. Corrections to Architectural and Historical Survey of Whitewater, WI 53190**

Alan Luckett confirmed that Christ can make changes, but they need to confirm further. Her copy of the document is a pdf. which she cannot edit. She has about ten changes that need to be made.

**XV. Nelson Salisbury House - 404 W. North**

Dr. Suzanne Popke has purchased the house for her private residence. It is expected she will be granted conditional use by the Planning Commission. She is cleaning it up. She may be planning to use half the ground floor as an office, and the rest as private residence for herself and her family.

**XVI. Wisconsin Historic Preservation and Archeology Month--May**

**A. A presentation will be held at the Effigy Mound Preserve Saturday May 11th at 12:30**

Rain location is the Whitewater Public Library.

Come to the preserve at 11:00 to help set up chairs.

**B. Proclamation of Historic Preservation Month by City Manager at the beginning of the 6:30 meeting on Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**C. Annual report to City Council**

Christ will show the new brochure at the May 7th meeting as well.

**D. May 14th Reception**

The dinner will honor Maryann Scott, Linda Loomer and Nancy Wendt for their many contributions to the Landmarks Committee 6:30 at Salamone's in Fort Atkinson.

**E. TV Informational and past video presentations on Whitewater PEG TV station during May.**

Alan Luckett is coordinating with Christ for TV spots.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**XVIII. Delta Zeta Sorority House at 604 W. Main Street request for exterior changes.**

This item was removed from the agenda as owners are still working on changes.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**XIX. Designation of local landmarks - city or private properties – ideas**

It was reported by Christ that Helmick is interested nominating the Armory as a local landmark.

**XX. Plaques for Whitewater sites on the National Register of Historic Places**

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**XXV. Call to Adjourn.**

Marshall motioned to adjourn at 7:15. Bregant seconded.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Haselow,  
Secretary Pro tem