



Whitewater Landmarks Commission Minutes

Thursday, November 6, 2014 – 6 PM
City Manager's Conference Room
312 Whitewater Street, Whitewater, WI 53190

Call to Order

- Call to Order and roll call
Present: Ken Kienbaum, Alan Marahall, Suzanne Popke, Pat Blackmer, Richard Helmick
Absent: Sarah Bregant, Suzanne Haeslow
Staff present: None
Others present: None
- Approval of Agenda
MSC Marshall/Blackmer to approve the agenda as posted.
Ayes: Kienbaum, Marshall, Popke, Blackmer, Haeslow
Nays: None
Abstain: None
- Approval of Minutes
MSC Marshall/Blackmer to approve the minutes of September 4, 2014 as printed.
Ayes: Kienbaum, Marshall, Popke, Blackmer, Haeslow
Nays: None
Abstain: None
MSC Balckmer/Marshall to approve the minutes of October 2, 2014 with corrections.
Ayes: Kienbaum, Marshall, Popke, Blackmer, Haeslow
Nays: None
Abstain: None
- Set date and time of next meeting – Thursday, December 4, 2014 - 6:00 PM
The next meeting of the Landmarks Commission will be held on December 4, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the city manager's conference room, 2nd floor of city hall.
- 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. There were no citizens' comments.

Reports

- Friends of the Mounds (Helmick)

In preparation for next spring, FOTEM is beginning discussions on three signage projects: signage at each effigy mound, trail signage (including better designation where to enter the preserve from the street), and educational signage for the garden near the sign. Discussion ensued. The commissioners asked that any proposals for signage be brought forward for their review.

- Historical Society (Marshall)

The society will be presenting two, new programs. One will be held on November 9, 2014 from 1:00 – 3:00 PM at the train depot. It will be a discussion based on some 20 post cards with early scenes of Whitewater. The other will be held on January 17, 2015 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM at the depot. It will be a presentation led by Kori Oberle, Director of the Hoard Historical Museum and National Dairy Shrine, on early, Whitewater pottery. Examples of pottery will be on display.

- Birge Fountain (Kienbaum)

There was no meeting of the committee to discuss the possible installation of updated, security cameras. Kienbaum will request that a meeting be held to discuss this matter.

- Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve and Maintenance (Helmick)

The Whitewater Park and Recreation Board will be considering ways to repair damage to the mounds caused by animal(s) at its next regularly scheduled meeting on November 11, 2014. More information will be reported to the Landmarks Commission at its next, regularly scheduled meeting.

Unfinished Business

- Plaques for Landmarks (Popke)

Discussion ensued regarding the importance of having specific invoices, time lines, and other details concerning the work of the artist.

- Water tower - Landmarks Status (Haeslow)

No report.

- Old Armory – Landmarks Status (Helmick)

Nomination papers for landmark status for the Whitewater Armory were distributed to the commissioners. Formal consideration of the Armory as a Whitewater Landmark will be on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the commission.

New Business

- Future Fundraising Ideas

Future Agenda Items

- Letters of Appreciation
- Formal Consideration of the Armory as a landmark
- Nomination Questionnaire form(s) to be placed on the web site
- Fund raising ideas
- Public information on the work the commission does

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Helmick, Secretary, Landmarks Commission