

HISTORIC SITES PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Friday, September 7, 2012

Administrative Center – Room 3212

9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Twinde-Javner, Peg Jerome, King Holley, Kent Sween, Barb Kooiman (present 9:14 a.m.), Anne Loomis (present 9:08 a.m.)

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Harriet Schuppel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF & GUESTS: Marion Naegle

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Vicki Twinde-Javner called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None requested.

APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2012 AND AUGUST 3, 2012

MOTION by Jerome/Sween to approve both sets of minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Both of the following resolutions were discussed as one item.

RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF ASBURY CEMETERY (TOWN OF ONALASKA) AS A LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORIC SITE.

RESOLUTION RE: DESIGNATION OF ASBURY METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH (TOWN OF ONALASKA) AS A LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORIC SITE.

Discussion ensued on the procedure to have a resolution passed by the County Board. It was noted that these resolutions did not go to the Planning Resource and Development Committee for approval. Jerome will check and make sure they are on the next Planning Resources and Development agenda for approval. If approved, they will then go to the County Board for approval.

UPDATE ON USE FOR REMAINING WISCONSIN HISTOR SOCIETY GRANT MONEY

Kooiman made note that she had not completed the brochure layout. She would have more information next month.

UPDATE ON ZONING AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT CHANGES

Discussion ensued on the Ordinance governing the Historic Sites Preservation Commission. The ordinance was adopted in 1992 and is a weak ordinance. The Commission has no power to stop or slow down demolition. It was felt that they should be a more effective Commission.

UPDATE ON NOMINATIONS / RESOLUTIONS PROCESS

- Iron Overhead Truss Bridge (tabled)
The Commission discussed the resolution that was drafted and approved by the Historic Sites Preservation Commission. The Commission decided to send this resolution to the Planning Resource and Development Committee for approval.

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UPDATE ON POSSIBLE NOMINATIONS / NOMINATION PROCESS

- Greenfield Town Hall – The Commission received a letter from the Greenfield Town Clerk asking for more information before putting their property on the agenda. It was not sure that the retired clerk had related the information to the new town clerk which may have caused some confusion. Discussion ensued as to the reason for the nomination. The Commission feels that it is a unique structure, with no changes to the interior, had been a primary voting location from 1894 to 2010 and the only brick town hall left in the area. Chair Twinde-Javner will send a letter explaining the Commission's reasons for this nomination. **MOTION** by King/Kooiman to send a letter to the Town of Greenfield explaining why it is on our agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- Mindoro Cut – nothing reported
- Wilson School – nothing reported
- Mundstock house – nothing reported
- Other nominations - none

2013 BUDGET REQUEST

Nothing reported

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- West Salem historic plaques

NEXT MEETING: September 7, 2012.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Holley/Jerome to adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously.** The meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

Disclaimer: The above minutes were approved at the October 5, 2012 meeting.
Marion Naegle, Recorder