

STOUGHTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2011

City Hall Stoughton Wisconsin

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alan Hedstrom, Debbi Harris, Peggy Veregin (no quorum)

VOLUNTEERS PRESENT: Art Wendt

MEMBERS ABSENT: Elizabeth Boone, Tom Majewski, Sonny Swangstu, Kathleen Kelly

1. CALL TO ORDER: Alan Hedstrom called the meeting to order at 7:36 P.M.
2. Minutes: Art noted two corrections to the minutes: The Linderud presentation will be at 10:30 and #13 should read "storing." Debbi moved to amend the minutes of the previous meeting. Peggy seconded; motion carried. Debbi moved to approve the amended minutes, Peggy seconded; motion carried.
3. Election of officers: Tabled until a quorum is present.
4. Local landmark nominations: Alan will contact M. Beresky regarding the nomination of the Luke Stoughton home (516 S. Page St).
Debbi will find out from city hall who currently owns the old Bickley farmhouse at 1100 N. Page St.
5. W.H. Linderud Collection:
 - a) Art will present a Powerpoint display of selected photos at the library on Saturday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m.. The library is presently working on publicity. Alan contacted city hall about publicity on the city website as well. Art will fill out the form to have a notice put on the state historical society website as well.
Debbi will contact Sara at the library to check if we can serve refreshments and, if so, will arrange for these.
 - b) Art and Alan will change out the photos in the library on 5/7 at 3:00 so they will be ready for Syttende Mai weekend.
6. Linderud photo storage: Alan will ask Mike Stacy about storing the photos in the safe or another dry, climate controlled location in city hall. Art will check into getting archival quality boxes for storage.
7. 2010 Historic Preservation Award for 516 South Madison Street
Tabled until Elizabeth is present. Alan will contact Elizabeth on the status of this.
8. 2011 Historic Preservation Award suggestions: Deferred until more members are present.
9. New members: Debbi will approach Nancy Holloway about her possible interest.

10. Local History Book: Tabled until Kathleen is present.
11. Walking tour of the 5th Street area: Tabled until Elizabeth is present.
12. Obtaining NAPC membership was discussed. The annual fee is \$80. After discussion, Debbi moved that the Commission purchase membership for a one year period, Peggy seconded, and the motion carried. Peggy will double check that our membership would apply to a May to May period and let Alan know. If it is a calendar year membership and is not prorated, we will wait until January to join.
13. Peggy went to the WAHPC meeting in Columbus. The presenters discussed window and ways to identify, restore, and improve the energy efficiency of historic windows. Alan will ask Mike Stacey about storage space for the commission to keep items such as the conference binders so all members will have access to it.

Frank Butt is looking for a reception venue in Stoughton for an event he is hosting at the Opera House. The former Stella's, the Pour House, and a few other venues were discussed. Peggy will investigate these.
14. Oral History: Tabled until Tom is present.
15. Designating Landscape Landmarks: Alan contacted Joe DeRose at Wisconsin Historical Society on the possibility of locally designating landscapes. While a landscape itself cannot be designated, anything that contributes to the character of a locally designated historic district or anything that could impact a locally designated district (including the presence of street trees) could be reviewed by the commission, just like when exterior work is proposed for a locally designated house. However, at the present time, Stoughton only has locally designated houses/buildings, but no locally designated districts. All five of its districts are on the National (and State) Register of Historic Places. Some (most) of our 30 or so locally designated properties are in these districts, however
- 16, Future agenda items: Peggy was asked if Stoughton might be interested in hosting the WAHPC meeting next year. We will discuss this at the next meeting.
17. ADJOURNMENT: Debbi moved that the meeting be adjourned: seconded by Peggy, and carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbi Harris