

Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday May 12, 2022 – 6:30 pm
Hybrid

Members Present: Todd Hubing, Chair; Lisa Reeves; Peggy Veregin; Greg Pigarelli, Vice-Chair; Kimberly Cook

Staff: None

Absent: Alan Hedstrom, Kristi Panthofer

Guests: None

1. **Call to order.** Hubing called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.
2. **Elect Chair.**
Motion by **Veregin** to elect **Hubing** as Chair, second by **Cook**. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Elect Vice-Chair.**
Motion by **Veregin** to elect **Pigarelli** as Vice-Chair, second by **Cook**. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Elect Secretary.**
Motion by **Veregin** to elect **Reeves** as Secretary, second by **Pigarelli**. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of April 14, 2022.**
Motion by **Cook** to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by **Veregin**.
The motion was amended to include “use Hedstrom’s scoring sheet for prioritizing Mini-Grant applications next year”. The original motion including the amendment was approved unanimously.
6. **COA request – 160 E. Main Street – (relating to a mini-grant).**
Hubing introduced the request for removal and replacing air vents with brick and window repairs. Air vents to be filled in with saved original brick.
Veregin required the condition to use “Type O Mortar” for the repair.

Motion by **Veregin** to approve the COA, 2nd by **Pigarelli**. Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Main Street Historic District Design Guidelines.**
Erica Ruggiero is scheduled to present at our next Landmark’s meeting, a draft of the Main Street Historic District Design Guidelines.
8. **Downtown Local District.**
Nothing to discuss.
9. **Community Engagement.**
Hubing met with the interim Stoughton School District Administrator Kate Ahlgren, at their request to discuss the district’s plans for putting a question on an upcoming questionnaire regarding removal of the 1892 High School. The district stated that it is too costly to rehab the building and that more parking is needed. Hubing expressed the opinion that the Landmarks

Commission and Common Council would not approve a demolition. Hubing also stated the question is misleading and did not accurately represent the district's options for the building.

Hubing stated that Roger Springman had written a few paragraphs on the 1892 High School and had asked if it could be posted to the Landmarks Commission Facebook page. Cook offered to help facilitate this.

10. Local Landmark Plaques.

Veregin stated the plaques have been delivered to City Hall.

Action: Contact owners of South School and the Railroad Freight Depot to see if they are willing to receive the plaques at a May City Council meeting (May is Historic Preservation Month).

11. Commemorative Signage for the Riverfront Redevelopment.

Veregin attended the recent RDA meeting to discuss signage options.

The RDA, Landmarks Commission, Chamber of Commerce and the Stoughton Historical Society have been working on ideas for interactive maps and plaques to be located throughout the downtown. The group is gathering information on what the markers will look like; their location and cost as well as taking inventory of existing markers. More information to follow by Veregin at the July Landmarks meeting.

Hubing stated the R Olde House Society expressed interest in sponsoring a plaque.

12. Commission Reports/Calendar.

Hubing has uploaded 35 more photos with zoom capabilities to HistoricStoughton.org from the Linderud Collection. Prints will be available for sale at Woodland Studios with \$10 going to the Stoughton Historical Society for each print sold.

The Landmark's Facebook page needs to be updated with a link to the new Linderud photo uploads.

Stoughton Library is asking for a presentation in June (check with Hedstrom as a possible presenter).

13. Future agenda items.

None discussed.

14. Adjournment.

Motion by Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm, 2nd by Veregin. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory Pigarelli