

Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday May 10, 2018 – 7:00 pm

City Hall, Hall of Fame Room, Lower Level, 381 E. Main Street, Stoughton, WI.

Members Present: Peggy Veregin, Chair; Alan Hedstrom, Vice-Chair; Greg Pigarelli, Secretary; Kimberly Cook; Todd Hubing and Tom Majewski

Absent: Kristi Panthofer

Staff: Michael Stacey, Zoning Administrator

Guests: None

1. **Call to order.** Veregin called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. **Elect Chair.** Hubing nominated Veregin to be Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion by **Hubing**, 2nd by **Cook** to approve Veregin as Chair. Motion carried 6-0
3. **Elect Vice-Chair.** Cook nominated Hedstrom to be Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion by **Cook**, 2nd by **Hubing** to approve Hedstrom as Vice-Chair. Motion carried 6-0
4. **Elect Secretary.** Hubing nominated Pigarelli to be Secretary. There were no other nominations. Motion by **Hubing**, 2nd by **Cook** to approve Pigarelli as Secretary. Motion carried 6-0
5. **Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of April 12, 2018.** Motion by **Cook** to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by **Pigarelli**. Motion carried 6-0.
6. **Discuss exhibit for the Linderud photo collection.**
Hubing has been checking on display options before contacting the Bryant Foundation. Hubing stated the cost is between \$3000 and \$5000 for folding displays/easels. Hubing is looking in to online access to the photo collection. The Commission discussed options for the public to access the collection.
7. **Discuss local landmark designation plaques.**
Stacey provided an inventory of the known plaques. Veregin plans to send a letter to the property owner's where it is unknown if there are plaques. Veregin plans to seek costs to provide plaques to the properties that have none for next year's budget request. The commission discussed providing instructions for proper installation of the plaques.
8. **Discuss outreach to Main Street property owners.**
Hubing and Hedstrom plan to work together to come up with outreach ideas. The commission discussed the purpose of providing outreach. There is much confusion related to regulations for the downtown properties. Cook suggested the commission have a specific meeting to just discuss this topic. The commission agreed to meet next month regarding this topic.

Hubing left at 8:00 pm.
9. **Local landmark status update for 148/154 E. Main St, 118 N. Page St and 515 E. Main St.**
Stacey provided nomination paperwork for all but 118 N. Page Street. There is nothing else to report at this time.

10. Status update for Highway Trailer / Moline Plow building redevelopment.

Majewski gave an update regarding the blacksmith shop. Stacey stated the highway trailer building demolition is planned to start June 11th with E. South Street reopening by July 4th.

Majewski stated the Jeffris Foundation came to look at the site.

11. Status of Power Plant building redevelopment.

Nick and Abby Abramovich continue to seek development of the power plant. The commission discussed potential changes to the power plant if the parks plan for the river moves forward.

12. Status of 2017 local landmark grants.

Currently 2 of the 3 grants awarded have approved COA's to proceed. An extension has been requested for 3rd.

Motion by Hedstrom to allow a 1-year extension for the property at 327 E. Washington Street with a grant award of \$625, 2nd by Cook. Motion carried 5-0.

13. Discuss 2018 local landmark grant applications.

Letters will be sent tomorrow to the local landmark property owners. This item will need to be on the June agenda. Veregin will mail the meet-up postcards from Madison tomorrow.

The commission reviewed the application from Woodland Studios. Cook stated we need more details about the repair of the windows.

14. Commission Reports/Calendar.

- The commission discussed upcoming budget items.
- Hedstrom mentioned he talked to Richard Albright who would like to discuss possible options for use of the McFarland State Bank building.
- Majewski stated the City recently approved the gift of the building to the City from McFarland State Bank with details still pending.
- Stacey stated Dave Kalland is seeking interested parties to become a members of the Stoughton Historical Society.
- Stacey suggested an earlier meeting time and the group agreed with a 6:30 start time. Veregin to contact Hubing and Panthofer for confirmation.

15. Future agenda items.

Next agenda shall be:

1. Budget; 2. Mini grant applications; 3. Main Street outreach

16. Adjournment. Motion by Hedstrom to adjourn at 9:05 pm, 2nd by Pigarelli. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael P. Stacey