**Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes** 

**Thursday December 7, 2017 – 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; Todd Hubing; Kimberly

Cook and Tim Swadley **Absent:** Greg Pigarelli

**Staff:** Michael Stacey, Zoning Administrator

Guests: Attorney Matt Dregne; Dennis and Amy Kittleson; Emily Bahr; Tom Majewski; Bob

McGeever; Michael Engelberger.

- 1. Call to order. Veregin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of October 23, November 9 and November 20, 2017.

Motion by **Swadley** to approve the minutes as presented,  $2^{nd}$  by **Hubing**. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Continue discussions related to the request by the Common Council to develop an ordinance for consideration by the council that would amend existing City ordinances such that no building in a historic district listed on the National Register of Historic Places may be demolished without review and recommendation by Landmarks Commission and a decision by the Common Council based on appropriate and lawful standards.

Attorney Matt Dregne gave an overview of the material he provided including the new State law Wisconsin Act 67.

The following is a summary of what was discussed:

- Wisconsin Act 67
- Proposed changes to Chapter 38
- The lack of minimum maintenance standards
- Proposed changes to Chapter 78 including eliminating section 78-913
- Other communities such as Cedarburg or Milton which may have regulations related to demolition within a downtown historic district
- Landmarks Commission to meet on January 4, 2018 prior to the Planning Commission meeting in order to provide a recommendation related to all proposed ordinance amendments
- Proposed ordinance amendments will go to the Planning Commission for discussion at their January 8, 2018 meeting
- A public hearing at the Planning Commission meeting of February 12, 2018 is anticipated

Hedstrom left at 9:05 pm

Attorney Dregne left at 9:20 pm

4. Discuss invitation for prospective new Commissioner.

Veregin stated she will contact Patricia Micetic who has expressed interest in becoming a Commissioner.

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

Nothing new to report.

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## 6. Status update for 2017 local landmark grants.

Veregin has not heard from anyone yet. The Commission will discuss further in February.

Stacey to send a COA application to Michael Engelberger.

## 7. Commission Reports/Calendar.

Veregin provided information about the presentation she attended for the 1892 High School which was presented by UW Madison students.

Discussed the potential State tax credit changes (LRB 4780)

## 8. Future agenda items.

Review minimum maintenance standards in Chapter 10.

**9. Adjournment.** Motion by **Hubing** to adjourn at 9:40 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Cook**. Motion carried 4 - 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael P. Stacey