

## **Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday February 8, 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; Kimberly Cook; Greg Pigarelli; Todd Hubing and Tim Swadley

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Michael Stacey, Zoning Administrator

**Guests:** Richard MacDonald, Greg Jenson and Abby Abramovich

1. **Call to order.** Veregin called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
2. **Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of January 4, 2018.**  
Motion by **Swadley** to approve the minutes as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Cook**. Motion carried 6 – 0.
3. **Request by Michael Engelberger for a certificate of appropriateness to allow repairs associated with the redirection of stormwater away from the foundation at South School, 1009 Summit Avenue.**  
Veregin summarized the request. Michael Engelberger was available for questions.

Veregin is working on the nomination form for the local landmark designation and plans to be ready for a public hearing at the next Landmarks meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The Common Council would likely make their decision on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by **Swadley** to approved the COA request contingent on the building being approved as a local landmark, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Hedstrom**. Motion carried 6 – 0.

4. **Review proposed ordinance amendments 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.**  
Veregin stated the Planning Commission recommended a couple changes to the Chapter 38 amendment.

The Commission discussed changes offered by the Planning Commission and Michael Stacey.

Changes were made to definitions and other areas of the code and included in the draft that will go to Council on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by **Hubing** to recommend the Common Council approve the chapter 38 ordinance amendment as amended at the meeting of February 8, 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Hedstrom**. Motion carried 6 – 0.

5. **Discuss prospective new Commissioner.**

Veregin stated we are still looking for a replacement Commissioner, preferably someone with an architectural or engineering background.

**6. Discuss request to update the Linderud photo display at the Public Library for the upcoming 110 year anniversary.**

Richard MacDonald, Library Director stated he has interest in making a nice display of Linderud pictures for the 110 year anniversary and for the future. Richard stated he has volunteers that would like to help with the exhibit.

Veregin stated it would be great to partner with the Library especially since the Commission has lacked the time to update the display.

Hubing stated he would be interested in helping with the display.

Richard MacDonald and Hubing will contact Michael Stacey in the future to gain access to the Linderud photos and work to update the display prior to March.

**7. Status update for Highway Trailer / Moline Plow building redevelopment.**

Swadley gave a status update and stated the City is planning to create a new tax incremental district in this area to essentially restart the clock for the 20-27 year payback.

**8. Status update for 2017 local landmark grants.**

Veregin sent reminder letters out a while ago and to date there has only been one out of four that have responded. The South School is working towards gaining grant funding for their project. The excess funds may just be used for 2018 Grant funding if they are not claimed.

Stacey noted the new owner of the freight depot is very interested in gaining grant funding for an exterior project that will include a new roof and brick repair.

Veregin and Cook plan to update the grant application for 2018.

**9. Commission Reports/Calendar.**

The Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions (WAHPC) is planning a meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup> in Platteville.

**10. Future agenda items.**

Public hearing for the South School local landmark status.

Discuss exterior building maintenance standards including discussion what committee should review these standards.

Discuss the other properties that need to be brought into local landmark status.

Discuss process to create a local district for the Main Street Commercial Historic District.

**11. Adjournment.** Motion by Hedstrom to adjourn at 8:45 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cook. Motion carried 6 - 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Michael P. Stacey*