

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2013 @ 6:30 P.M. Lake Geneva City Hall

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Etten at 6:30 p.m. at Lake Geneva City Hall.

Roll Call: Ken Etten, Dee Fiske, Ellyn Kehoe, Mary Tanner, Jackie Getzen and Louise Rayppy.

Approval of the Minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of April 11, 2013.

Comments from the public: None

Comments and suggestions from Alderwoman Ellyn Kehoe:

It was suggested that Ken Etten speak with Carol Cartwright, our Historic Consultant in Whitewater, to inquire about the possibility of nominating the Lake Geneva Public Library for historic recognition. This is based on the design of the library by the protégé of Frank Lloyd Wright, James R. Dresser. If this could not be done, she recommended a large library plaque/sign.

Based on Alderman Kehoe's suggestions, the officers for the year were once again selected and Ken Etten was elected as Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and the Maple Park Homeowners' Association:

The Geneva Lake Museum is Celebrating their 30th Anniversary on May 17, 2013, from 6-9 p.m. with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Geneva Lake Museum plus the introduction of the Native American exhibit and the Crane Windows. Tickets are \$60 with raffle tickets at \$10.00 each.

In August, Patrick Quinn and Mary Tanner will be giving a talk at the Museum on the history of Maple Park.

Based upon a discussion Ellyn Kehoe had with Clarence Read, Ken Etten will contact Clarence to schedule a joint meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission and the Cemetery Commission on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, to discuss keeping Pioneer Cemetery open to the public as well as general maintenance issues in the cemetery. There may also be a discussion regarding nominating Oak Hill cemetery as a National Historic Site.

Report regarding the sale of the Geneva Theater Building:

Jennifer Hintz Savage is the local representative for the new owners, Bill and Kathy Jachimek from Phoenix, AZ, who will be here the first weekend of June. They have scheduled a meeting with The Friends of The Geneva Theater for 3:00 P.M. on Friday, June 7, 2013, at Ken Etten's office for a general discussion on the proposed future use of the building.

Update regarding proposed new Historic Signs for the Whiting House Hotel, the Frank Lloyd Wright Hotel Geneva and the Lake Geneva Seminary for Young Women:

The signs are being designed and a new map and new photos have been proposed. Further study is required before a final design is approved.

Review of recent Plaque Program applications and information from the Wisconsin Historical Society.

Discussion re: potential projects and promotional ideas for the LGHPC, including preparation of a Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour Brochure.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dee Fiske