

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2016 6:30 p.m. at Lake Geneva City Hall

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

Present: Ken Etten, Patrick Quinn, Louise Rayppy. Mary Tanner, Jackie Getzen, Jim Davis and Elizabeth Chappell were absent. Guests: Ed Yaeger, Mary Weeden.

Approval of minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of August 11, 2016.

Comments from the public: Mary Weeden is requesting a plaque for her house at 1112 Pleasant Street – c. 1920. Mary Tanner and I visited her home and informed her that she will be issued a plaque.

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and the Maple Park Homeowners. Fall Craft Fair at the museum will be held on November 26th from 10-4—Free Admission.

Update on the restoration of the historic 1928 Geneva Theater Building. Restoration is going on, might open by Fall. The Friends of the Theater are still trying to set a date with Shad Branen to discuss their proposal.

Review of recent bills, invoices and the current balance in the LGHPC account. The Commission so far this year has spent \$598.00. Denny Teichow has informed us that he is no longer publishing the Old Time Newsletter.

Report regarding the status of the new I-phone app version of A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour currently being created by Dr. Alana Platt and the staff at UW-Whitewater Innovation Center. Jackie Getzen has been in contact with Dr. Platt. Apple is still working on this. They have to verify that we are a city commission.

Update re: A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour booklet, including any new information regarding future walking tours or programs at Black Point from David Desimone and/or Michael Rehberg. Ken Etten will inquire why the Chamber of Commerce is selling our walking tours booklets at \$1.00 each, we requested that they be given out free.

Black Point October Events: When Angels Carried Them Away: Death and Mourning in the Victorian Era. Saturday, October 1st, 8th, and 15th—4-7 p.m. \$40.00 per person.

Sordid and Scandalous: Geneva Lake Walking Tour. Saturday, October 1st, 8th, and

15th—11-12:30 A.M.

Update regarding proposed Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Park proposed by Ed Yaeger at May LGHPC meeting. Ed Yaeger was there to follow up on his proposal for a Railroad Park. He suggested that it would be better if it was nominated as a historic site, instead of a park. Ken Etten has been in contact with Dan Draper concerning the discrepancy in the north lot line and asking his opinion, and what the next step should be.

Report regarding the nomination of Oak Hill Cemetery as a National and/or Local Historic Site, including any additional research information and input on Oak Hill Cemetery and H.W.S. Cleveland. No new information.

Discussion re: potential new projects and promotional ideas for the LGHPC, including updating sign on Dunn Lumber Building, future "Tales of Lake Geneva", educational programs, and updates on our website www.historyoflakegeneva.org. We were expecting David Jeffrey to attend our meeting to discuss the restoration of the signs on the Dunn Lumber building. He did not show up.

Review of recent Plaque Program applications and information from the Wisconsin Historical Society, National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Society of Architectural Historians, the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions and Traditional Building & Period Homes magazines. We received the corrected plaque for the James Simmons' house and it has been delivered to the owner.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Rayppy