

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2013 @ 6:30 P.M. Lake Geneva City Hall

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

Roll Call: Ken Etten, Patrick Quinn, Dee Fiske, Mary Tanner and Louise Rayppy. Absent were Elyn Kehoe and Jackie Getzen.

Approval of the Minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of October 10, 2013.

Comments from the public: *There is a food drive for the needy with collections being taken at the fire station*

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

Nov. 30, 2012 there will be a craft Fair at the Museum and a Victorian Christmas on Dec. 7th. Attendance at the Museum is now over 11,000 for the year!

Update on the status of the historic Geneva Theater Building.

There are no changes. The roof has been fixed and the heating and air conditioning are being repaired.

Report regarding potential restoration work, signage upgrades and open hours at Pioneer Cemetery and potential nomination of Oak Hill Cemetery as a National Historic Site.

John Notz has volunteered to assist the Commission with nominating Oak Hill Cemetery as a National Historic Site.

There are currently nine cemeteries in Wisconsin listed as National Preservation Sites. John Notz will attend the December meeting. Oak Hill Cemetery was designed by H. W. S. Cleveland, a protégé of Frederick Law Olmstead. John also wished to work with us on recognizing the three remaining structures at the former Maple Lawn estate designed by William Le Baron Jenney.

Report re: new Historic Signs at the Whiting House/ Hotel Geneva site and the Lake Geneva Public Library and review of status on signs, poles and invoices for signs.

The locations of the new signs have been marked by Ken Etten and Patrick Quinn. The signs will be installed by the Street Dept. as soon as possible.

Report re: Discussion of potential projects for 2014 Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Budget

Motion by Dee Fiske and Seconded by Patrick Quinn that the 2014 Budget should include funds to replace the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) markers on the graves in Pioneer Cemetery and possibly Oak Hill Cemetery.

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 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Dee Fiske