

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2018 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, Jim Davis. Mary Tanner, Jackie Getzen and Elizabeth Chappell were absent. Provisional member: Chris Brookes.

Approval of minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of December 14, 2017.

Comments from the public and correspondence. Charlene Klein and Selena Proksa attended our meeting as they are running for elective office. Charlene Klein for Mayor, and Selena Proksa for 1st District Alderman.

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and Maple Park Homeowners. The Museum had their annual meeting recently. They have 700 members and had 18,000 visitors last year. Tuesday @ Two programs: Discover the Birthplace of Mardi Gras—February 6th. Beer Barons on Geneva Lake and their Milwaukee Neighbors—February 13th, presented by Michael Rehberg.

Update on the historic 1928 Geneva Theater Building, restoration work at The Riviera and other local news items relating to the Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission. The Geneva Theater Actor's Guild will be bringing the play "Never Say Never" to the Theater in February. The Geneva Lake Museum is planning a fund raiser at the Theater, tentatively April 26th. This will feature the Badger High School Jazz Band. The City has requested proposals from several architectural firms regarding The Riviera, including Ken's firm.

Review of newsletter and any updates re: future programs at Black Point or Horticultural Hall and Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tours from David Desimone and/or Michael Rehberg. Black Point will be having another Lantern Tour this year, probably on September 29th or the 30rd.

Review of recent bills, invoices and the current balance in the Historic Preservation Commission City Budget and proposed expenditures from 2018 LGHPC Budget. The current balance is: \$6,007.12. We received \$95.00 from the Chamber from the sell of our Walking Tour booklets in 2017.

Update regarding the Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Site and the plan for the Proposed Historic Railroad Site for review, status of project approval by the City of Lake Geneva, and costs and proposed expenditures approved prior to the end of 2017. The pavers have been paid for and will be installed in the Spring.

Discussion regarding the I-phone app version of A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour created by Dr. Alana Platt and the staff at UW-Whitewater Innovation Center, potential photo additions and upgrades, and the cost of creating of an Android version. Ken sent an E-Mail to Dr Platt asking if the individual would still want to work with us or does she have any other suggestions concerning the Android version.

Discussion regarding potential new projects for the LGHPC, including future "Tales of Lake Geneva", the possibility of using the historic Geneva Theater, updates on our website www.historyoflakegeneva.org, and restoration of the wall signs at the Dunn Lumber Warehouse Building on North Street. Patrick Quinn will talk with Mike Dunn in the Spring regarding the wall signs. We will have the "Tales of Lake Geneva" at the Theater in the Spring.

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

Review of recent Historic Plaque Program applications and the cost of plaques from Timberline Signs at \$145.00 each. We still cannot find any information regarding a plaque for 1310 Dodge St. Owner Denise Doan told Jim Davis that the former owner took the plaque with him. She said she would contact the previous owner about the date, she has not gotten back to Jim.

Update on 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 reviewed the information.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Rayppy