

## **Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes**

**April 11, 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, Ed Yaeger, Dee Fiske, Patrick Quinn, Ellyn Kehoe, Mary Tanner and Jackie Getzen Public Present: Cindy Long who has applied to be Director of Black Point and Louise Rayppy.

**Approval of the Minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of March, 2013 with correction to #8.**

**Comments from the public** None

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

Celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Geneva Lake Museum on May 17, 2013 6-9 P.M. with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Geneva Lake Museum. The unveiling of the Native American exhibit and the Crane Windows. Tickets are \$60 with raffle tickets at \$10.00 each. Larry Magee, a major contributor to the museum, has passed away.

Tara Trent is the President of the Maple Park Homeowners Association. They are working on a news flyer with information for the association members. On May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, at the Committee of the Whole at City Hall there will be a speaker on renovation of old homes.

Denny Teichow has taken photos of the Victorian home on Main street that is about to be demolished and submitted them to Dan Duchrow at the Wisconsin Historical Society for documentation.

**The Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions will hold their 2013 Spring Conference on Saturday, April 27, 2013, at the Milton House in Milton, Wisconsin.**

**Report re: the status of the Geneva Theater Building** and updates on the [www.friendsofgenevatheater.org](http://www.friendsofgenevatheater.org) website. The theater was sold and closed on May 1<sup>st</sup>. There has been no indication of what the future use of the building will be. Carol Cartwright has done a preliminary walk through of the building for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

**Discussion with the Lake Geneva Cemetery Commission on proposal to nominate Oak Hill Cemetery as a National Historic Site and to discuss restoration work at Pioneer Cemetery.**

A joint meeting of the Cemetery Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission will be held as soon as all members of the Cemetery Commission are available and a mutually agreed upon date can be arranged. It will be held in City Hall and will be recorded.

**Continued discussion re: new historic signs for the Whiting House Hotel, the Frank Lloyd Wright Geneva Hotel and the Lake Geneva Seminary along with the Railroad Heritage Trail through the City of Lake Geneva.**

We are trying to locate new photos of the Whiting House, the Geneva Hotel and the Lake Geneva Seminary with a high resolution for the proposed new signs. Dee Fiske and Mary Tanner will check with the Geneva Lake Museum.

Ed Yaeger announced that he would be stepping down from the Historic Preservation Commission at the end of his term in May. We thanked Ed for his years of service and his special interest in the history of the railroad in Lake Geneva. Louise Rayppy indicated she was interested in serving on the Commission and we passed this information on to Mayor Connors.

**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 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dee Fiske