

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2015 6:30 P.M. 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, Mary Tanner, Jackie Getzen, Louise Rayppy and Denny Teichow, as a guest. Dee Fiske submitted her resignation from the Commission. We thank Dee Fiske for all her contributions to Historic Preservation over the years as a member of this commission. We welcomed our new representative from the City Council: Elizabeth Chappell. Representing Black Point: David Desimone and Michael Rehberg.

Approval of the Minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of April 9, 2015.

Comments from the public: David Desimone, Director of Black Point, and Michael Rehberg presented a new audio-visual presentation, "Pull Up a Chair, Take a Walk: An Historic Tour of Lake Geneva", which will be presented at the Lake Geneva Public Library on May 20. The walking tour that Black Point is putting together with docents, will start at the Riviera on June 18, at 4:30 p.m., every Thursday evening. \$8.00 per person. Also discussion concerning the Chautauqua program that Black Point is putting together. Lake Geneva and Walworth excited about this. Invite other key players to get excited about this also. Grant dollars will help make this possible.

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and the Maple Park Homeowners. The Roaring 20's Speakeasy Party on May 22nd, at the museum was a success. They had about 130 people attending.

"An Old Time Radio Show"

"(LIVE)"

Saturday-June 13th, 10:30 to Noon. Members: Free, Non-members \$5.00.

Update on the Geneva Lake Theater Building.

Still for Sale. \$800,000 from the Tif fund, allocated for a grant toward finding a buyer or investor who has a vision for the property was approved by the City Council.

Continued discussion on the updated version of a Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour booklet. Patrick Quinn gave a report concerning this. The booklets have been very popular. We discussed about asking the Chamber of Commerce if they could contribute some money toward the publication of additional copies. He also brought up about helping out with the publication

of the "Old Times" pamphlet written by Denny Teichow. The expenses have increased to \$30.00. We will cover the additional cost of printing the pamphlet. 240 copies-330 circulation.

Continued discussion regarding nomination of Oak Hill Cemetery as a National Historic Site, including input from historic consultant John Notz. Patrick Quinn is continuing to work on the nomination. Also had discussion about having another "Tales of Lake Geneva" at Horticultural Hall about the years: 1930, 1940, 1950.

Also discussion on John Notz's request for recognition of three extant buildings designed by William Le Baron Jenny on former Maple Lawn property in the City of Lake Geneva.
No new information.

Review of recent Plaque Program applications, and information from the Wisconsin Historical Society, National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Society of Architectural Historians and the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation.

We have a request for two new plaques: One at 928 Sage Street and one located on Warren Street.

Review of potential projects and promotional ideas for the LGHPC, educational programs and updates on the website.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Rayppy