

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

July 12, 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, Jackie Getzen, Louise Rayppy, Jim Davis, Chris Brookes and Cindy Flower. Patrick Quinn and Mary Tanner were absent.

Approval of minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of June 14, 2018.

Comments from the public and correspondence. Ken received E-mails from residents in Maple Park opposing demolition of the Brick and Mortar building at 832 Geneva St. or 251 Cook St. ?

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and Maple Park Homeowners. Sunday August 19th at 8:00 P.M., Venetian Night Cruise—\$45.00 per person. Call for reservations. So far the museum has received \$12,000 in donations for renovations. Tuesdays @ Two: The History of Covenant Harbor—August 7th. Maple Park homeowners are aware of the proposed demolition of the Brick and Mortar building and will oppose it when it comes to the Plan Commission, as we will also.

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. City is still in negotiations concerning Riviera contract. The Theater is having problems getting their Showtime list out to the public.

Review of any updates re: Black Point Estate & Gardens, Horticultural Hall, and Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tours on every 1st and 3rd Thursday thru the summer. Woodland Garden Opening Celebration—July 22.

Review of recent bills, invoices and the current balance in the Historic Preservation Commission City 2018 Budget. Our annual budget is \$3,500.00. So far this year we renewed our membership in the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions with \$40.00. We received a check from Nancy Yaeger for \$1,000.00. And \$21.00 from sell of Walking Tour booklets.

Report re: discussions with Building Inspector Fred Walling on Historic Preservation Design Review for building projects within National & State Historic Districts. Fred notified Ken that he will keep Ken updated on houses that are being remodeled. Also he will notify Ken of anything regarding

251 Cook St.

Update regarding the status of the Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Site project and discussions with the Lake Geneva Street Department, Aceves Landscaping and Lakes Brick & Block. The crew is finishing the work on the project, with the pavers laid down. Jackie will attend the Tree Board meeting on July 25, to ask for a tree to be donated in honor of Ed Yaeger, to be planted at the railroad site.

Update regarding publicizing the I-phone app version of A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour, potential photo additions and upgrades, and update re: discussions with Dr. Alana Platt at UW-Whitewater Innovation Center on creating of an Android version. The assistant to Dr. Platt, when they were working on our I-phone app, will insert new information concerning certain houses. Will have to wait to find someone to develop the Android version. Talk to Lana Kropf, City Clerk, about getting our Walking Tour on the City Website. Talk to Bridgett Leech about promoting our Walking Tour app. Jackie talked to Joe Toimaio about our walking tour app appearing on Visit Lake Geneva, will think it over.

Discussion regarding 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 the wall signs at the Dunn Lumber Building. Need to contact Jeff Miskie concerning our website. Names need to be updated. Cindy will talk to Tom Earle about our Banners. Also she will inquire about waiving all fees for city commissions.

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, the cost of plaques from Timberline Signs at \$145.00 each, application form, and creating a list of past plaque recipients. Ken will call Jim Sherrin about the two plaques that we had ordered, have not receive them yet.

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 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Rayppy