

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2017 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. Mary Tanner, Jackie Getzen, Jim Davis and Elizabeth Chappell were absent. Provisional member: Chris Brookes.

Approval of minutes of Historic Preservation Commission Meeting of June 8, 2017.

Comments from the public and correspondence. None

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

Sunday, August 20 at 8:00 P.M. Venetian Night Cruise—\$45.00 per person. Northwestern Military and Naval Academy Exhibit—Official Grand Opening—Saturday, September 16th from 4:00 – 6:00. Tuesdays @ Two programs: How Lake Geneva Grew 1850—Present. Presented by Patrick Quinn. August 15th.

Update on the historic 1928 Geneva Theater Building. The Friends of the Theater gave Shad Branen a check for \$30,000 to be used for lighting and curtains. They are putting together a brochure to be distributed to various groups for the rental of the theater.

Update regarding future programs at Black Point or Horticultural Hall and Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tours from David Desimone and/or Michael Rehberg. Black Point is now having their Thursday evenings walking tours, at 6:30 p.m. from the Riviera.

Review of recent bills, invoices and the current balance in the 2017 Historic Preservation Commission City Budget. Total activity for this period: \$60.17.

Update regarding proposed Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Site proposed by Ed Yaeger and creation of a plan for Proposed Historic Railroad Site for review and comment by the City of Lake Geneva. Blaine Oborn has no objection to this. But as of this date there has not been any clean up of the property as promised by the Street Department. No further information on this.

Update regarding the status of 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, getting the app in the Apple App Store and creation of an Android version. No new information. Need to contact Dr. Platt.

Discussion regarding restoration of the wall signs at the Dunn Lumber Warehouse Building on North Street and discussion re: potential new projects and promotional ideas for the LGHPC, including future "Tales of Lake Geneva", educational programs, and updates on our website www.historyoflakegeneva.org. Patrick Quinn has tried to talk to Mike Dunn, concerning the wall signs, but he was unavailable. Will try again. Should do another "Tales of Lake Geneva", maybe at the Geneva Theater.

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. Patrick Quinn is working on this. Will probably have to pay someone to help with the nomination.

Review of recent Historic Plaque Program applications, updating of the cost of plaques from Timberline Signs to \$145.00 each, and creation of new Historic Plaque for the 175th Anniversary of St. Francis de Sales Parish. The plaque for the church has been made. Cost: \$585.00, we will pay half and the church will pay other half. Jackie Hennerley, 421 Elmwood Avenue, has requested a plaque, but she has not provided the necessary documentation that the house was built in 1920.

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 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Rayppy