

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation

April 12, 2012 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.

Those present were: Dee Bark Fiske, Ken Etten, Ed Yaeger, Patrick Quinn and Jackie Getzen. Denny Teichow represented the public

Minutes are approved as presented. Motion by Patrick Quinn seconded by Ed Yaeger.

Comments from the Public. None

Report from Geneva Lake Museum and Maple Park Homeowners' Association. There is a new Yerkes exhibit with a telescope and the Ceylon Court exhibit is moving forward. Karen Walsh has agreed to be the full time Director. Jim Gee will be the new President. The Grand Reopening on May 18th will include music, a cocktail party, wine and beer, and a silent auction on Friday night. There will be numerous activities on Saturday with free admission for those who bring food for the needy. The Annual Meeting will be on the 15th of April.

Update re: proposal by the Geneva Lake Area Museum to republish the James Simmons book on the History of Lake Geneva. A generous donation has been received to publish the book and to print 250 copies. There will also be ebooks available. The book should be available for the May 18th Grand Reopening

Update on the proposed new Railroad Depot sign and continuing the proposed "Railroad Heritage Trail" through Lake Geneva.

An additional sign is being planned near Simple restaurant so that outside diners and the general public will be able to read about the location of the railroad at that site. Major discussion about the statement for the sign. It will be discussed again at the next meeting.

Report on the status of the Geneva Theatre Building at 244 Broad Street.

The group will meet on Saturday to modify the bylaws. Rose's Market will do a wine tasting and a fund raiser. Date to be determined.

Discussion regarding potential projects for 2012 such as preparation of a Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour brochure, future "Tale of Lake Geneva" educational presentations and update re: website.

Review of the Plaque Program and status of the recent applications. Review of materials from the Wisconsin Historical Society and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Dee Bark Fiske