

Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2019 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, Jim Davis and Cindy Flower. Jackie Getzen, Chris Brookes, and Grace Hanny were absent. Tim Dunn and Josh Sullivan were our guests.

Approval of minutes from March 14, 2019, Historic Preservation Commission Meeting.

Comments from the public and correspondence. None

Reports from the Geneva Lake Area Museum and Maple Park Homeowners. Tuesdays @ Two: The Life of Lake Geneva Resident—Gary Gygax—May 7th. International Museum Day and Children's Art Festival—Saturday, May 11th from 9:30—4 at the museum --- "Free".

Update on programs at the Geneva Theater Building, restoration work at The Riviera and local news items relating to the Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission. Geneva Theater Actors Guild: Steel Magnolias—Wednesday, April 17, 10:00 A.M., and 7:30 P.M. The City is busy collecting information concerning The Riviera—deciding first what to do with it before starting the roof.

Review of any updates re: Black Point Estate & Gardens, Horticultural Hall, and Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tours. The tours at Black Point will start May 4th.

Review of recent bills, invoices and the current balance in the Historic Preservation Commission City 2019 Budget and discussion regarding proposed 2019 expenditures. So far this year we have spent \$854.45.

Update on Historic Preservation Design Review for building projects within National & State Historic Districts and on current potential building projects including the possible relocation of the 1902 Frank Johnson Residence / Bricks & Mortar Building at 832 Geneva Street. No new information.

Update regarding the Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Site project, discussions with Nancy & Eileen Yaeger, and planning for plaque dedication and memorial tree donation for Ed Yaeger

at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 27, 2019. Nancy and Eileen along with Ken will be speaking at the dedication. The Burr Oak tree will be planted in the middle of the outline of the turntable. Other speakers will be there also, along with coverage from the Regional News. Hope some of the remaining funds could go toward repairing the Historic Railroad Site sign.

Update from Josh Sullivan regarding the creation of an Android version of our I-phone app of A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour, including potential photo additions and upgrades. Our website is working. Josh attended our meeting to update us and to ask questions he still had about the Walking Tour. He needs project files, probably Alana Platt has them, should be kept with city as permanent files. He will find out how the billing for the I-phone is handled. Will create an account on Google Play Store for Historic Preservation Commission, administered by the city clerk, who will get email for payment of \$25.00, one time payment. Josh needs to receive the email address for the Historic Preservation Commission. The app allows the user to email that address. The email will be set up to go to Ken. Android is just being completed. Will present ourselves at the Committee of the Whole at a later date.

Discussion on updating the 2009 Dozen Distinctive Destinations banners including any replacements, repairs or revisions to banners and storage of banners at the Street Department. No new information.

Discussion regarding new projects for the LGHPC, including future "Tales of Lake Geneva", and status of our website www.historyoflakegeneva.org. "Tales of Lake Geneva" will take place at the Geneva Lake Museum in September. The Contact page on our website has been updated with our current members. Since Dunn Lumber has been sold, Patrick will meet with the General Manager concerning the painting of the signs on the old brick feed store building.

Review the status of recent Historic Plaque Program applications, including the cost of plaques from Timberline Signs at \$152.98 each (including sales tax), application forms, ongoing updating the list of past plaque recipients, and repairing existing historic signs. Kevin Heffernan picked up his 1907 plaque for his house at 1129 Park Row.

Update from Patrick Quinn regarding meetings with Gail Klein, John Notz, and others 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. Gail Klein is coming to take another look at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Update on information from the Wisconsin Historical Society, National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Society of Architectural Historians, and the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions. We reviewed the information.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Rayppy