

Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 8, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

City Hall, Hall of Fame Room, Lower Level, 381 E. Main Street, Stoughton, WI.

Members Present: Peggy Veregin, Chair; Alan Hedstrom, Vice-Chair; Josh Mabie; Kimberly Cook; Greg Pigarelli; Michael Engelberger and Stephen Mar-Pohl

Absent: None

Staff: Zoning Administrator, Michael Stacey

Guests: Connie Kraus

- 1. Call to order.** Peggy called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of September 10, 2015.**

Motion by **Alan** to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by **Stephen**. Motion carried 6 – 0.

- 3. Discuss Linderud Photos with Connie Kraus.**

Connie Kraus explained what she knows about the history of the photos.

Michael E. arrived.

Connie stated Art Wendt did extensive work to organize and frame the collection.

The Linderud exhibit has been updated in the Fall around Halloween and Spring prior to Syttende Mai. Themes have been used such as children, churches, Queen Anne style homes, etc...

No prior notice is given to the Library. Just need to contact Michael Stacey to have the safe open for access.

Josh has taken an interest in the collection and he found a document in the collection that indicates Naomi Linderud gave the collection to the Stoughton Historical Society. Josh will contact Art Wendt to verify ownership.

Josh provided some ideas for the future of the collection to try to provide more access to the public as follows:

- Transfer a copy of the index binder to Stoughton Public Library.
- Duplicate cd's and rename files by street address – potential High School or College student project.
- Link to or share with Wisconsin Historical Society the collection to a digital photo database.
- Create a new binder of photos organized by address.
- Create a GIS driving tour.

Josh is interested in doing further work with the collection. The Commission will discuss the future of the collection in upcoming meetings.

4. Status Update for 1892 High School.

Peggy and Stephen met with Stoughton School District Superintendent Tim Onsager to discuss options for the 1892 High School.

The School District recently had Plunkett Raysich Architects put together a facility master plan for the building. That plan was provided to the Commission for discussion/review.

Stephen believes the budget estimates in the plan are high.

The Commission discussed the master plan.

Greg left at 8:00 pm

Some potential uses for the building are a charter school, technical school, Stoughton School District use and City government office use.

Stephen explained how tax credits could be acquired by a private entity to rehabilitate the building and after a period of time the building would revert back to the School District.

Michael E. left at 8:25 pm

Stephen and Josh are planning to meet the Mr. Onsager next week. Stephen will setup the meeting.

5. Discuss Historic Preservation Award.

The plan is to present the award to Amy and John Kallas at the December 10th meeting. Michael S. will contact Amy.

6. Commission Reports/Calendar.

Peggy sent a letter of intent for a CLG Grant application which is due November 13, 2015. The plan is to request a grant for a Reuse Study of the 1982 High School.

7. Reminder: Wisconsin Historic Preservation Conference at Madison Marriott West/Middleton Conference Center on October 9th and 10th. Starts tomorrow.

8. Future agenda items. None discussed.

9. Adjournment. Motion by Alan to adjourn at 8:50 pm, 2nd by Josh. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Stacey