

**WATERLOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 15, 2011– 5:00 P.M.
1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL**

Quirk called the regular meeting of the City of Waterloo Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Commission Members in attendance were: Andera, Olsson, Ottesen, Potter, Toepfer and Quirk.

Commission Member(s) absent were: Berry

Others Present: Candy Streed – Silos and Smokestacks

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Potter, seconded by Olsson to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Potter, seconded by Olsson to approve the amended minutes of the November 16, 2010 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

None

Reports

1. Main Street

Ottesen noted that there was a Main Street conference on June 22-25 in Des Moines. Ottesen noted that he would be attending. Ottesen noted that the Taste d' Loo had been successful and had good attendance.

2. Silos and Smokestacks

Candy Streed, Silos and Smokestacks, noted that the Open Silos Award luncheon would be held on Tuesday, March 26th at the Sky Events Center. Streed noted that there was class called Grant Seeking 101 coming up that helped attendees learn to better write grants. Streed noted that the speaker would be Jeanie Lovell from Luther College, who had a great deal of expertise in grant writing. Streed mentioned that any members of the commission that were interested could attend for a reduced rate.

3. Grout Museum

Olsson noted that the Grout Museum was moving forward with their Tour of Historic Homes/Places this year. Olsson questioned if the Historic Preservation Commission would like to partner with the Grout Museum noting that the Commission and the tour would get additional publicity. Potter suggested that the Grout look into using the Greek Orthodox Church as a potential location. Streed noted that her neighbors owned a Lustron home that could possibly be used in the tour.

4. Rath Administration Building Project Update

Andera noted that the developer had met with Senator Dotzler and would soon be meeting with the Director of Cultural Affairs.

5. Highway 63 Expansion

Poll noted that the State Historic Preservation Office was providing historic tax credits to some homes but those homes needed to be oriented to face the same direction they did on the original lots. Poll noted that meant the lots that had been reserved for these homes were oriented the incorrect direction and new lots were in the process of being obtained.

6. Proposed Ordinance

Poll noted that he had contacted the Councilman Hart in regards to having the proposed ordinance reviewed by the Ordinance Committee. Poll noted that Hart had asked if it could go before a work session of the whole council in order to refresh everyone involved about the wording in the original Historic Preservation Ordinance and the changes proposed in the proposed ordinance. Poll noted that work session would be on February 28th at 4:30 and noted that time was subject to change and that he would keep the Commission informed. Poll noted that members of the Commission could attend.

Discussion Items/Possible Action Items

1. Annual Historic Preservation Awards

Potter noted that she had talked with Donna Nelson, noting that she had reserved a portion of Roux Orleans for May 12. Potter noted that she would move forward with contacting the Courier to put in an ad seeking nominations with a dead line of April for a turn in date.

Poll questioned if any nominations had been made. Quirk noted that Greek Orthodox Church was a possibility as they have preserved their historic building. Potter questioned if Roman and Penny Frankowitz should receive an award for the work that they did on their home. Quirk questioned if Newton's should receive an award for the restoration and reuse of a Historic Building.

Poll noted that would seem to work well as that consisted of one residential home, one commercial building and a church.

2. Local nomination of Washington and Lincoln Parks as Historic Landmarks

Quirk noted that there had been no significant changes and that her and other members of the Commission continued to do research in regards to these properties.

3. Guidelines Revision

Quirk noted that due to time constraints, further Guidelines Revisions could be made next month.

Adjournment

Motion made by Quirk, seconded by Toepfer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Poll,
Associate Planner