

**WATERLOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – March 17, 2015– 4:30 P.M.
1st Floor Conference Room, City Hall**

Ottesen called the regular meeting of the City of Waterloo Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Commission Members in attendance were: Price, Cass, Stevens, George, Ottesen and Andera.

Commission Member(s) absent were: Linda

Others Present: Adrienne Miller- Staff to the Commission, Chris Western Planning and Zoning Staff

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Stevens, seconded by George to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Price seconded by Stevens to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2015 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Hearings

No Hearings Submitted

Reports

1. Main Street

Ottesen stated Main Street has been discussing the future of the Wonder Bread Building and upcoming spring and summer events. Funky Junk-a-loo is taking place the last weekend of March.

2. Silos and Smokestacks

No update.

3. Grout Museum

No update.

4. Rath Administration Update

No update.

Discussion Items/Possible Action Items

1. 515 & 519 E 3rd Street/ Walnut District:

Miller indicated that there is no update on the 519 E 3rd Street.

2. City Owned Property within Neighborhood Associations:

Miller indicated there was one property added to the list located within the Franklin Gateway Neighborhood Association.

3. Funding:

Miller explained the revolving loan that the City of Dubuque has in place for Historic Preservation funding assistance. Western noted that it may be difficult to receive council backing like Dubuque did due to the tight budget the city is already facing.

Ottesen questioned if the commission could seek additional information from the city of Dubuque regarding success rate, default rates, issues setting up the program and if they have encountered anything they would change if they would start the program again. Miller indicated that she would contact Dubuque and retrieve additional information regarding their program.

4. Wonder Bread Update:

Ottesen indicated that Silos and Smokestacks had paid for a Historic Consultant to walk through the building for a TAN (Technical Assistance Network) report. The report from the consultant should be ready in approximately 3-4 weeks. The report will tell what kind of condition the building is in and also if there may be any historical significance to the structure.

5. Historic Awards:

Miller indicated that the awards are usually in May so the commission needs to start thinking of possible award recipients. Miller passed around a letter that would be sent to area architects requesting nominations for awards. Ottesen questioned if something could be put into the courier requesting nominations also. Miller stated that she would send a PSA requesting nominations.

Adjournment

Ottesen adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Adrienne Miller,
Associate Planner