

**WATERLOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – July 18, 2017– 4:30 P.M.
First Floor Conference Room, City Hall**

Ottesen called the regular meeting of the City of Waterloo Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

Commission Members in attendance were: Ottesen (left at 5:30pm), Orlando, Stevens, and Miller.

Commission Member(s) absent were: Price, Jenson and Jaacks.

Others Present: Pat Morrissey – City Council Representative, Tim Jamison – The Courier, Charles Pearson – Citizen and John Dornoff – Planning Staff

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Orlando, seconded by Stevens to approve the agenda of the July 18, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Orlando seconded by Miller to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

1. Main Street

No Report

2. Silos and Smokestacks.

No Report

3. Grout Museum

Dornoff noted that the Grout opened their new Korean War exhibit.

4. Rath Administration Update

There was no new information this month.

Hearings

Hearing for approval to apply for the Underrepresented Community Grant and 2017 CLG Grant.

Dornoff stated that there is a grant opportunity that is due on July 31st for grants that cover underrepresented communities. Dornoff recommended that the grant application focus on a survey of the Triangle area that most closely aligns of the grant requirements.

Charles Pearson discussed the African-American Civil Rights grant applicant that the city applied for last year and noted that one of the problems of that grant was that existing historic properties need to be amended to including the fact that they are civil rights sights. Ottesen asked what the process was for that and Dornoff stated that he would need to contact Paula Mohr from the state to get more information.

It was moved by Orlando, seconded by Stevens to recommend that a application be submitted for the Underrepresent Community Grant to fund a survey of the Triangle area of Waterloo. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was discussion on the CLG grant. Stevens said that the grant should be used for educational purposes. Orlando and Morrissey brought up that even if the city receives the underrepresented community grant that it would not be enough to cover the cost of the entire Triangle survey which could cost more than a \$100,000. Dornoff noted that the entire funding for the CLG grants is only \$90,000 so each recipient will only get \$8000 to \$9000. The commission decided to look at it more next month.

Discussion Items/Possible Actin Items

1. Website

Dornoff noted that work is now in progress to get the website for the HPC up in the next week.

2. Action List

The agenda had the action list attached, and will be included in all packets from now on so the Commission can see exactly how well they are progressing month by month.

3. Most Endangered Buildings 2017

Dornoff noted that he wanted to get this done so that he could send it off to Tim Jamison to get some publicity about it. Stevens and Miller went over what they had discovered about the properties in question and Pearson added some details. Stevens and Miller will get their information to Dornoff soon so it can be forwarded to the Courier and put on the website.

4. Most Endangered Buildings List 2018

Dornoff asked that commissioners start thinking about sites they would like to see put on the list for 2018 so that the list can be ready to go for next year's Banquet. Dornoff suggested that St. Mary's would be a excellent on for the state list next year since there is forces in the city that are anxious to tear the entire area down.

5. Other Discussion

Miller brought of some of the issues that are of a concern to the Highland district including the Design Guidelines that many feel that are too stringent and costing too much money. Discussion turned to the recent hearing that came before the commission where the person was looking to replace their windows with vinyl that was turned down.

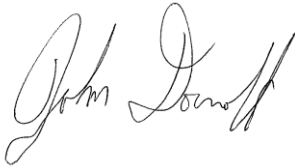
Dornoff told Miller than he would be more than willing to attend Highland Neighborhood Association meetings to explain things. The commission also discussed having the September meeting in the Highland Neighborhood.

The City of Waterloo library is having a historic month in October and is looking for the Historic Preservation Commission to make a presentation. Commissions discussed doing a presentation at 6:30pm on October 17th which would immediately follow that month's meeting. Dornoff will contact Sue Pearson and set up a time.

Adjournment

Ottesen adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Dornoff". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

John Dornoff
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