

MINUTES
WATERLOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING - 12:10 P.M. NOVEMBER 6, 2000
MOLLENHOFF CONFERENCE ROOM - 2ND FLOOR CITY HALL

Chairman Levi called the regular meeting of the Waterloo Historic Preservation Commission to order at 4:30 p.m. Members present were: Aronson, Durbahn, Levi, Pearson, and Peterson. Wendy Zitterich of the Grout Museums and Travis Young were present from the public and Terry Malone was present from the City.

Durbahn motioned to approve the Agenda as submitted. Pearson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

There were no reports from Main Street or Silos and Smokestacks.

The agenda item was a continuation of the proposed installation of an HVAC system at the Rensselaer Russell House Museum. The original Certificate of Appropriateness was approved with no conditions, but the Grout District proposed a change requiring the Special Meeting. The HVAC contractor suggested installing the unit on top of the roof, which would be slightly visible from the public way.

Young suggested installing the unit on the roof to extend the life of the apparatus and to bring down the costs of the work. Given the pitch of the roof, Young would install the unit on top of a level pre-treated wood block. Levi suggested that the change in plans is reversible and not a terribly obtrusive feature. The only condition suggested was painting the lumber to match more closely with the unit with a black or dark gray color. Levi entertained a motion by Durbahn that Peterson seconded to approve the request as with the condition. The motion passed 3-1 with one abstention.

Chairman Levi excused himself from the meeting at that point due to a perceived conflict of interest. A pre-commission sub-meeting was scheduled to discuss the demolition of the West Intermediate School. With no further business, the Commission was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrance D. Malone
Staff to Commission
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