

## **Waverly Historic Preservation Commission Minutes Monday, June 25, 2018**

The Waverly Historic Preservation Commission met on Monday, June 25, 2018, at 5:15 pm at the Waverly Civic Center Conference Room.

### **AGENDA:**

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Don Meyer. Other Members Present: Linda Hovden, Karen Lehmann, Mary Meyer. Members Absent: Kris Brunkhorst, Glenn Fenneman, Peter Newell. City Staff Liaison Bill Werger and City Council Liaison Brian Birgen were present.
2. Agenda was adopted. (Moved: Lehmann; Second: M.Meyer; Approved)
3. June 4, 2018, minutes were approved. (Moved: M. Meyer; Second: Lehmann; Approved)
4. Guests present: Tom Hicks

### **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

5. The NAPC Forum will be held in Des Moines July 18-22, 2018.
  - D.Meyer and Lehmann have registered for the conference using the two free registrations the commission received from a grant.
  - Hovden making arrangements to attend the Friday sessions and, hopefully, Saturday's sessions. Hovden will contact D.Meyer for details to utilize the complimentary registration that M.Meyer will not be using, as M.Meyer will not be able to attend the conference.
  - One-day registrations are available.
  - Other Commissioners are still considering attending the award ceremony at the Scottish Rite Consistory, Des Moines, on the evening of Friday, July 20.
6. The information Brunkhorst collected at the last meeting will be used when the current application is made available to apply to Wartburg's Integrated Marketing Class for assistance with historic preservation publications and other possibilities, i.e., marketing tent cards.
7. M. Meyer distributed copies of photos and descriptions of the Waverly concrete block homes. A big thank-you to M.Meyer for her photos, research and preliminary documentation of this idea. What a great start in the development of this project. It may not lend itself toward a walking tour but does offer possibilities for a brochure, and maybe exposure on the WHPC website as well. There was great discussion and suggestions shared in obtaining additional information on these homes, the builders, contractors, etc., as there is very little information available. M.Meyer will continue to work on this project. Thank you, Mary.
8. M.Meyer sent a letter and application to the Hoins as a possible nomination for the Waverly Historic Register. She will encourage them to apply, as they had not yet had an opportunity to complete the application. There was discussion on the application and award presentation process.
9. Lehmann updated the Commissioners on the WHPC website project. M.Meyer and Lehmann, along with Yoder, will review to see if any additions are needed to the information Lehmann has obtained through all of her efforts. This is a project in progress -- with progress being made.
10. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NE Bridge (Waverly's Green Bridge) has been added to the National Register of Historic Places. Links to the bridge information and application can be found on the WHPC website under the National Historic Register link. Press releases and public announcements will be provided.

11. The Rock Island Depot (the former laundromat) is being closed. The final outcome of the site is not yet confirmed. Lehmann circulated an article from the *Bremer Co Independent* dated November 25, 1909, stating this structure was “the only second building of this kind ever erected.” There was discussion on the article and the lack of details regarding the meaning of this statement as well as discussion on what the Commission, the community, and the city can/can’t do to help preserve the Depot as its future unfolds.
12. Further discussion on the promotional tent cards was tabled. The Commissioners were reminded that this might be something that could be included in the application submitted to Wartburg’s marketing class. Members were reminded to keep this idea on their radar for the future.
13. The election of 2018-2019 officers resulted in the following (Moved: M.Meyer; Second: Hovden; Approved):
  - a. Chairperson: Don Meyer
  - b. Vice-Chairperson: Karen Lehmann
  - c. Rotating secretary

## **REPORTS:**

Council Report: Birgen reported that discussion is progressing regarding traffic lanes down Bremer Avenue.

Chairperson Report: D. Meyer had nothing additional to report.

Staff Report: Werger had nothing more to report.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Submitted by Linda Hovden, Acting Secretary

*Note: Tentative rotation for WHPC secretary:*

*July: Newell*

*Followed by: M. Meyer, Fenneman, Brunkhorst, Lehmann, Hovden, Newell*