

Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
Thursday, November 20th, 2008
Waverly Public Library: Conference Room 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Karen Lehmann, Dr. Terrence Lindell, Les Zelle, James Hundley, Dita Boorum

Members Absent: Geneva Liebau, Kathryn Payne

Council Absent: Cyndi Ecker

Also present: Beth Paulsen and Sarah Meyer-Reyerson

Visitor: Kelly Engelken

Call to order at 5:35 p.m.

Regular Business:

Motion: The August minutes were approved.

Moved: Boorum

Seconded: Zelle

Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 2

Time was given to the commission members to read and evaluate the three nominations for the Waverly Historic Register.

1. Nominations were considered individually, beginning with the Rail Trail Bridge.

Motion to place on Register: Boorum

Seconded: Zelle

Discussion: The location of the potential future plaque was discussed.

Vote to place on Register:

Yes:5 No:0 Absent:2

2. Nomination of the Kuethe Home at 204 4th St SW was considered.

Motion to place on Waverly Historic Register: Boorum

Seconded: Hundley

Discussion: The historical significance of the home was discussed. Lindell suggested an amendment to the application by Zelle changing the criteria #5 to #2; so amended per Zelle.

Vote to place on Register:

Yes:5 No:0 Absent:2

3. Nomination of St. Paul's Lutheran Church was considered.

Motion to place on Waverly Historic Register: Hundley

Seconded: Boorum

Discussion: The application by Zelle was amended to change criteria #5 to criteria #1.

Vote to place on Register:

Yes:5 No:0 Absent: 2

Lindell introduced discussion on whether the commission was interested in paying half the plaque costs for this round of recipients.

Hundley stated that we need a letter sent to the recipients explaining the process and costs involved in purchasing a plaque. As well, he stated that the plaque should be paid for before it is ordered.

Zelle brought in printouts of Iowa City ordinances pertaining to historic preservation of certain districts of that city.

Meyer-Reyerson stated the importance of working with city planners, and boards in any future efforts to create such ordinances here in Waverly.

Lindell suggested this be discussed again at the next meeting.

Engelken offered to bring more examples from other towns and cities to the next meeting.

Hundley suggested the next meeting be January 22nd.

Staff Report:

Meyer-Reyerson explained what funds are available in two budgets for the Commission; one for \$500 from the city, as well as \$6,000 from the Hotel/Motel Tax for the markers. She added that Tab Ray was seeking an extension on an \$800 grant received by the commission that would be added to the \$6,000 available through the Hotel/Motel Tax portion of our budget.

The next meeting will be January 22nd, in the conference room of the Waverly Public Library.

Motion to adjourn: Boorum

Seconded: Lehmann

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.