

## **Minutes for November 23, 2020**

### **Waverly Historic Preservation Commission**

The Waverly Historic Preservation Commission met virtually on Monday, November 23, 2020, at 5:30 pm using the ZOOM platform.

Commissioners Present: Chair Karen Lehmann, Vice-Chair Kris Brunkhorst, Commissioners Glenn Fenneman, Don Meyer, Mary Meyer, and Darius Robinson.  
Commissioner Absent: Justin Jeffcoat Schedtler.

1. Call to Order—Chair Karen Lehmann called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
2. Approval of Minutes—Moved by Don Meyer, seconded by Mary Meyer to approve the minutes of October 26 with minor corrections, to be completed by Isaac Pezley before filing with the city. Motion carried.
3. Receive Visitor/Public Comments—No visitors were present.

Isaac reported that the virtual meeting are now being recorded. He will send a link to the recording to the Commissioners. Note: This will be very helpful to the person taking minutes.

### **Regular Business:**

1. Green Bridge—Karen, Don, and Kris have met with James Bronner and Garrett Riordan to discuss the Commission's draft of the menu of options to memorialize the 3rd St. SE bridge, referred to often as the Green Bridge. Based on that meeting the draft has been revised and distributed to the Commissioners. One addition to the menu is a stereoscope. Moved by Kris Brunkhorst, seconded by Darius Robinson, to adopt the revised menu of options for memorializing the Green Bridge, to be presented to the City Council. Motion approved.
2. Historic Plaques—Karen has the wording for the Crosspoint Church preservation award plaque, and checked with Craig Mehmen regarding cost. It would be \$260 for an 8 by 4 or 10 by 5 plaque, plus \$25 to install it. He would do the installation. The wording agreed to is:

“ 2020 / This property has been placed on the Waverly Historic Register / Waverly High School dedicated in 1926, also listed on The National Register of Historic Places 2014 as part of the Harmon and LeValley Northwest Historic District / Waverly Historic Preservation Commission

Motion by Don Meyer, second by Darius Robinson to move forward and purchase a 10 by 5 plaque from Craig Mehman. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding what would be the appropriate recognition of the 4 Queens property. This could range from a plaque to a nomination to the National Historic Register (approximately \$10,000). Karen will contact Mark Nagle, the owner of the property, and see what his ideas are.

3. Boost Company from Wartburg, follow up—Regarding the creation of a logo for the Commission, we are planning to use the pattern of the brown sign with a white house like the marking signs of the historic districts, with some writing on it. Karen will contact Prison Industries to obtain the design in a format other than JPEG, in order to place writing on the logo. If that is possible, hopefully a Wartburg student could finish that project.

Regarding the table tent project, a subcommittee consisting of Glenn, Kris, and Darius held a planning meeting. Details to be worked out include businesses to host the table tents, which historical sites to spotlight, the design and materials to use, and where will they be printed/ assembled. One idea would be to create half a dozen different tents and place them in a business for a month or two and then pick them up and move them to another business. It would be desirable to have the host business featured on one of the tents. The committee discussed a few possible hosts. Two designs were discussed. The first would be to have a laminated paper folded in half and truly look like a simple tent, with an historical building or site featured on one side and the present use of the building/site on the other. The second would be to have a two-sided piece of paper supported by an acrylic holder of some kind.

4. Consideration of additional potential preservation projects and concerns regarding the 2020 action plan—This is “tabled” until a future date.
5. No additional old or new business
6. Council Report—Brian Birgen reported that the dome of the previous sewage treatment plant in Brookwood Park was scheduled for demolition on November 23. It was in bad shape and had no historical significance. Isaac Pezley reported that the Abe Downing tombstone, bones, and fence were recovered from the Red Fox Inn and are in possession of the Bremer County Historical Society. Chairperson Karen Lehmann indicated there would be no meeting in December. The next meeting is to be January 25, 2021, at 5:30 pm, via ZOOM.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn Fenneman, Acting Secretary