

October 11, 2012 MINUTES
Fort Atkinson Historical Preservation Commission Meeting
Dwight Foster Library – Wisconsin Room

Meeting called to order on Thursday, October 11, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dwight Foster Public Library by Commission President Jill Kessenich.

Also present – Commission members: Tammy Doellstedt, Jenni Eschner and Greg Idzikowski

Absent: Jan Kraus

Agenda:

- 1. Approval of September Minutes.** Minutes accepted as written without any corrections.
- 2. Treasurer's Report.** City Account balance as of 10/10/2012 is \$674.03. No activity from previous month. Members, please turn in any receipts for expenses before year-end. The Fort Atkinson Community Foundation Water Tower Account has an available balance of \$294.83. This includes a recent deposit on October 8th of \$154.75. (Sale of one survey, 2 notecards, and donations at Water Tower Open Houses.)

Old Business.

3. Landmarks

A. Water Tower

1. Greg Misfeldt and Harriet Scherer hosted the October 6th tours. About 35 people took a tour between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. One private tour was given by Doellstedt. Reminder: please notify police dept. if you give a private tour, and have visitors sign the guest book. (stored in crate, under table). This is the last scheduled open house until spring 2013. The time frame seems to work well.
2. Three Dwarf pines (2 varieties) have been installed by Sal's Landscaping near the mechanicals. Per Rudy Bushcott, the trees will be put on the city watering schedule through November 2nd, and the Parks and Rec department will loan us some watering rings/bags for use in the Spring.
3. Repairs to the tank –Kessenich met with City Engineer Jeff Woods and Dan Maki of Facility Engineering. Maki ascended to the top of the exterior tower. He will make a recommendation. Would subcontract the work. Discussion of the door in the tank. Daniels Const. put some silicon and a drip cap on the exterior tank door, but seems that water could be getting into the platform. May need some more weather stripping, etc.
4. Damage to benches – Doellstedt has made two calls, waiting to hear back, about some welders to install metal "stops" on benches. Will continue to follow up.

5. Wooden stairs, still in storage. Reconsider in spring, after addressing roof leak .
6. Idzikowski will contact Jefferson County Park District concerning their signage and kiosk at the Rose Lake Platform.
7. Possible Future Water Tower projects: Doellstedt will work on an inclusive list over the winter.
 - a. Repair water leaks through roof and tank door.
 - b. Install outdoor kiosk and signage.
 - c. Install interior educational panels.
 - d. Install wooden stair display.
 - e. Make interior screens for 1 or 2 windows to help with ventilation in the summer.
 - f. Maintain exterior wood door.

B. Other Buildings -Mason's Building/Fort Atkinson Club Update RFP for architectural services are due this week.

4. Website. Current minutes posted at www.fortpreserves.org. Kessenich added two links to the website.

5. Farmer's Market Presence. No activity until next year.

6. Jefferson County HPC News.

Eschner and Idzikowski attended Mason Farm Jamboree on September 22nd.

7. State History Conference, Kessenich reported on the September 28th and 29th conference in Madison. Went to various workshops, including:

- a. Creating Dynamic Websites and
- b. Working with Local Governments.

Was an excellent conference. Also attended several other seminars.

New Business.

Kessenich discussed electrical work at Water Works 2, near Jones Park, and possible planter boxes. Will add to our 2013 agenda.

8. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn – Eschner 1st, Idzikowski 2nd. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 8, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dwight Foster Public Library.

