

May 9, 2013 Minutes

Fort Atkinson Historical Preservation Commission Meeting

Dwight Foster Library - Wisconsin Room

Meeting called to order on Thursday, May 9, 2013, 6:34 p.m., at Dwight Foster Public Library by Commission President Jill Kessenich.

Also present: Commission members Jenni Eschner Landowski, Tammy Doellstedt, Jim Jorgenson

Absent: Greg Idzikowski

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of April Minutes – Tammy motion to approve, Jim seconds.
3. Treasurer’s Report – Tammy shared the current report. No change, balance \$1074.00. In past years, the Historic Preservation Commission has donated \$50 for Chamber Bucks to award the winner of the Daily Union’s 2013 Home Beautification contest in the historic preservation project category. This has taken place for 2013; Jill will submit this expense.

Old Business

4. Landmarks-
 - a. Water Tower
 1. Cleanup prior to starting tours went well.
 2. A \$50 donation was given. Tammy will deposit into the account and send a thank you note.
 3. Update from Baker Glass: Jill will meet them at the Water Tower next Thursday to install a gasket at the door in the tank.
 4. Jim suggested a method to keep water out of the channels at the stair landing, which fill with standing water: running a bead of silicone at the flat spot to help direct water off of them might help. Drilling a weep hole in the bottom of the angled stringer channels might also help. Jim will look into this.
 5. Tammy shared information from September 2011 Water Tower committee. “Crack-o-meters” were to be installed by Coldspring design. Tammy will contact Conor Nelan to discuss.
 6. The signs Tammy planned to purchase are \$40 each, not \$15. She will do more research. Jenni will prepare the a-frame sign to put up at the Farmer’s Market for the June 1st tours.
 7. Tammy did an interview with Mike Clish/WFAW-AM about the Water Tower tours, which ran twice. There was also an ad in the paper, sharing information about tours.

8. Jenni has the parts to put on the benches to deter skateboarders. Jenni will coordinate to get this done by July 4th.
9. Jill will talk to Rudy and Scott to remind them to put watering bags at the new plantings.
 - b. Water Works building in Jones Park – no update.
 - c. Other
 1. none
5. Website – tour dates
6. Market Presence – no update.
7. Jefferson County HPC News
 - a. None
8. Other: none

New Business

9. Jim talked about the WI Historic Preservation Commission tour of the Milton House he attended. 35-40 people attended.
10. Steve Tessmer will add the “Ins and Outs of Designating Local Landmarks” PowerPoint from the State Historical Society on the website.
11. Tammy discussed new designations for historical properties. It would be valuable to add more, as it’s been a while since the Water Tower was designated. Perhaps a park would be a good idea. Tammy will check with the State Historical Society to see what that would entail.
12. Other: none.

Adjournment Motion to adjourn – Landowski 1st, Jorgenson 2nd. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.