

Fort Atkinson Historic Preservation Commission

Thursday, September 10, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Dwight Foster Library

Attendance: Tammy Doellstedt, Jim Jorgensen, Julia Chady, Jenni Landowski, Greg Idzikowski

Absent: none

Guests: Peter Weston, Andrew Logan

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Variation to façade, on Black Hawk Senior Residence, corner of Main Street and Milwaukee Avenue. Report on Planning Commission.
 - A. Peter Weston discussed changes proposed to the exterior of the building. Per Peter and Andrew, the Planning Commission gave approval to the current design, pending the approval from the Historic Preservation Commission.
 - B. Landowski made motion to approve the design, Chady seconded. The design includes keeping the existing corner building entry alcove (without maintaining actual access to the interior at this location). The three most southern existing entry openings will be infilled, but a recess will be provided to maintain the rhythm and historical character. Existing windows will stay intact, but an additional layer of glass will be added on the interior, which will preclude viewing into the spaces inside. Motion carried.
3. Approval of August Minutes-See www.fortpreserves.org Chady motion to approve, Idzikowski seconded. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report: Account Balances
 - A. Premier Bank/Fort Community Foundation/1901 Water Tower Account: current balance of \$14,498.15
 - B. City of Fort Atkinson account: \$665.20 balance.

Old Business

5. Local Landmarks
 - A. Water Tower
 1. Roof repairs – begin Friday, September 11th. Work should not impact October or November tours dates.
 2. Tour report – September tours = 43 visitors. Donations of \$14.26.
 3. Next tour date: October 3rd. One additional tour guide is needed. Jim volunteered.
 4. Tammy has put up some signs for tours around town. Julia has asked Darkhorse Design to give a quote for signage options.
6. Website – www.fortpreserves.org – no news

7. Sponsorship of Price exhibit at Hoard Historical Museum – September 19th-October 8th.
 - A. 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. reception. Commission members will attend if possible.

New Business:

1. Sign in downtown Kiosk – the new sign should include information about the website, water tower and additional information on historic properties and generally about what the Commission does.
2. Jefferson County HPC Historic Conference – October 3rd in Waterloo.
3. New designations – none
4. Retaining wall around the water tower – a volunteer has offered to do the work for free to repair the walls. Tammy will pursue with City Engineer discussion about wall maintenance.
5. Donation of all of Roger Sherman's water tower files has been accepted. It includes photographs and other memorabilia.
6. Potential change of meeting dates. Jorgenson suggested Monday or Friday. The group agreed that Mondays would work better. In the case of a holiday, the meeting would occur the following week. Meetings will occur the 2nd Monday of each month. Jenni will discuss the procedure to change meeting times with the City Manager.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 8th, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m., Dwight Foster Public Library

Minutes submitted by Jenni Landowski, September 10, 2015