

Fort Atkinson Historic Preservation Commission

Monday, April 11, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Dwight Foster Library

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

Absent: Jim Jorgenson

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of March Minutes-See www.fortpreserves.org Tammy motion to approve, Julia seconded. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: Account Balances
 - A. Premier Bank/Fort Community Foundation/1901 Water Tower Account: current balance of \$15,100.87
 - B. City of Fort Atkinson account: \$922.74, pending request for \$40 to join the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions and invoice for brochures.

Old Business

4. Local Landmarks
 - A. Water Tower
 1. Upcoming tours, starting in May 2016 (dates listed on website)
 - a. Tammy has tour guide list.
 2. There is a 3-way split between Fort Atkinson tourism dollars, Foundation funds and raised Water Tower funds to pay for Water Tower repairs.
 3. The exterior door has been refinished by Phil Niemeyer.
 4. The windows in the Water Tower need to be painted. Tammy will ask Andy Selle if the City can remove the windows for the Commission to be refinished, potentially voluntarily by Phil Niemeyer and Tammy's husband.
 5. Stair landings – Phil Niemeyer will sand/paint one landing as a trial to see if the finish outcome will provide a long-term finish. If this works, we may do the same work on the other landings with rust on them.
 6. Tammy made posters for Water Tower tours and has placed 6 around town. There are more copies that can be distributed.
5. Website – www.fortpreserves.org – Jenni will put the flyer of the Preservation Month conference on the website.
6. Preservation month May 21st
 - a. Julia was asked to do an interview for a write up about the conference for the Daily Union.
 - b. Jenni will present an explanation of how to get your home on the local landmark list.
 - c. May 13th, Tammy and Julia will do an interview on WFAW at 9 a.m.

- d. Refreshments will be provided for up to 50 people. Tammy will bring coffee.
 - e. Commission members stuffed envelopes with flyers, to be delivered by May 1st to property owners of potential historic listings, City Council members.
- 7. Applicants for open Board positions
 - a. There is one applicant
 - 8. Kiosk poster – comments were provided to Dark Horse design.

New Business:

- 9. Commission members will meet to do a cleanup of the Water Tower prior to the first tours. April 30th at 10:00 a.m.
- 10. Home and Garden Daily Union contest – The Commission would like to support the contest by providing a cash prize for historic home winner.
- 11. Ordinance change
 - a. There used to be a 3/4ths majority vote required to approve Certificate of Appropriateness to designate properties as a historic property. The new legislation recently passed states that the vote to approve is by simple majority.
 - b. Tammy suggested working to get our City Ordinance verbiage changed, because it is confusing. Commission members agreed. This will be discussed again at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 9th, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m., Dwight Foster Public Library

Minutes submitted by Jenni Landowski, April 12, 2016