July 11, 2016 Minutes

Fort Atkinson Historical Preservation Commission Meeting

Dwight Foster Library - Wisconsin Room

Meeting called to order on Monday July 11, 6:30 p.m., at Dwight Foster Public Library by Commission Co-President Tammy Doellstedt

Also present: Commission members: Jim Jorgenson, Vern Zech, Tammy Doellstedt, Jenni Landowski, Julia Chady

Absent: none

AGENDA:

- 1. Andy Selle presented a draft annual maintenance budget plan and a draft long-term capital improvement plan option for the Water Tower.
 - a. This would the first step to get into a City capital budget.
 - b. There is not currently a line item in any budget for the Water Tower.
 - c. The Water Tower is school district property. Tammy said they signed an easement for the City to have the tower on their property.
 - d. Items for each plan need more detail, including cost and timing.
 - e. Tourism funds, some of which were used to help repair the roof, have to be used for things that bring people to towns.
 - f. Once the Commission fills in detail, Andy will review each plan.
 - g. Tammy asked that the City could pull the windows down before the fall/first snow. Volunteers will refinish.
- **2.** Approval of June Minutes Minutes approved as presented.
- 3. Treasurer's Report -
 - A. Premier Water Tower Fund \$6,916.02
 - B. Preservation City Budget- \$434.98

Old Business

- 3. Landmarks-
 - A. Water Tower
 - 1. Tour report
 - a. July 2nd had about 50 visitors, July 4th had about 80-100 people.
 - b. Tour guides should make sure that there are 6 visitors at a time and not to stagger tour starts so that too many people are at the top.
 - c. Next tours are August 6th and August 13th for a 50th high school reunion group.

- 4. Website-www.fortpreserves.org Jenni will update with June minutes and Vern's correct address.
- **5.** Applicants for Board position.
 - a. Jim will continue to monitor his availability and will not resign at this time.
- 6. Kiosk Poster
 - a. A revised poster layout was reviewed. There is still information that needs to be added or changed. Jenni and/or Julia will meet with Darkhorse Design to finalize.
- 7. Ordinance change
 - a. Tammy/Jenni will invite Brian Juarez to a future meeting.

New Business:

- **8.** Jefferson County has enacted a social media policy. Fort Atkinson has not yet done this. The Commission will review and consider adhering those which apply, many which we are already following.
- 9. State 2016 Annual Local History and Historic Preservation Conference there is an early bird registration discount through September 20th. The conference is October 21-22 at the Glacier Canyon Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells.
- 10. Vern suggested that we invite people to post photos taken from the Water Tower onto our Facebook page.
- **11.** Tammy pointed out that the WI Historical Society webinars are a good resource for information and procedures.

Adjournment Motion to adjourn –Zech 1st, Jorgenson 2nd, Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, August 8th, at 6:30 p.m. the Dwight Foster Public Library. Minutes submitted by Jenni Landowski. 7/18/2016