

September 20, 2012 MINUTES  
Fort Atkinson Historical Preservation Commission Meeting  
Dwight Foster Library – Wisconsin Room

Meeting called to order on Thursday, September 20, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dwight Foster Public Library by Commission President Jill Kessenich.

Also present – Commission members: Tammy Doellstedt and Jenni Eschner

Absent: Greg Idzikowski, Jan Kraus

Guests-Nedra Lemke

Agenda:

- 1. Approval of August Minutes.** Motion to accept minutes: Kessenich, 1<sup>st</sup>, Doellstedt 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
**Motion carried.**

- 2. Treasurer's Report.** Balance as of 9/18/2012 is \$674.03. One Disbursement paid in amount of \$145.37 on 8/8 for fringe benefits of city workers who did concrete work at the Water Tower. Members, please turn in any receipts for expenses before year-end.

**New Business.**

Taken up first to accommodate guest, Nedra Lemke of Image Branding First, Inc., a new graphic panel business in Fort Atkinson. She presented some ideas about future signage for the tower and the movie theater case which were designed by her business partner Tim Heffron. HPC graciously accepted Lemke's offer to donate the graphic work and photo for a sign for the movie theater case. Kessenich took the proof and will make some final tweaks. Commission will supply the foam core to mount the sign.

**Old Business.**

**3. Landmarks**

**A. Water Tower**

1. Doellstedt hosted the September 1st tours. About 25 people took a tour between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Other tours have been given by Sherman and Idzikowski. Reminder to notify police dept. if you give a private tour, and have visitors sign the guest book. (located in crate, under table).
2. The Jones Park sign is reserved for October 6 tour, which will be hosted by Greg Misfeldt, Harriet Scherer and Phil Niemeyer. Currently there are 10 reservations.
3. Most visitors heard about tours through the newspaper or movie theater sign.
4. Repairs to the tank –Kessenich will follow up on this matter.
5. Damage to benches – Doellstedt may attend the Welding Rodeo and speak with a local welder to see if they can offer any solutions about installing skateboarders stops.

6. Planting around mechanicals –Kessenich visited local nurseries comparing prices for trees to plant to block the sound from the large compressors.

*Motion brought by Eschner to spend up to \$450 for tree purchases and installation at tower. 2<sup>nd</sup> Doellstedt, **Motion passed.***

7. Wooden stairs, still in storage. Reconsider in spring, after addressing roof leak .

8. No new information on possible Eagle Scout project at tower.

**B. Other Buildings -Mason’s Building/Fort Atkinson Club Update** RFP for architectural services will go out in upcoming weeks.

**4. Website.** Current minutes posted at [www.fortpreserves.org](http://www.fortpreserves.org). Kessenich discussed creating a Facebook page for the Fort Atkinson HPC. Commission is in favor, and will look forward to an update at next meeting. Vasby newsletter and Zech’s Facebook page draw large hits, could let them know about our website.

**5. Farmer’s Market Presence.** Tabled...no report.

**6. Jefferson County HPC News.**

a. Bus Tour on September 22<sup>nd</sup> canceled due to low sign ups.

b. Mason Farm Jamboree on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Members are invited to attend.

**7. State History Conference,** September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> in Madison. Kessenich will attend both days.

Doellstedt brought motion to reimburse Kessenich up to \$140 for conference registration fees and travel to and from Madison. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eschner. **Motion carried.**

Kessenich will provide her own housing in Madison and will submit reimbursement forms to Sam at City Hall.

**8. Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn – Eschner 1st, Doellstedt 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, October 11, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dwight Foster Public Library.