

HPC Meeting Monday, September 11, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Dwight Foster Library, Fort Atkinson

Present: Tammy Doellstedt, Julia Ince, and Jim Jorgenson

Absent: Julia Chady

1. Motion by Jorgenson to accept August minutes, 2nd Ince, passed unanimously. No corrections. Minutes are to be published at www.fortpreserves.org.

2. Treasurer's Report -**City Account** current balance \$785.84(pending \$709.60 invoice for bronze landmark plaques and \$15.11 for 2 complete sets of keys).

Fort Community Foundation - Water Tower Fund New Balance \$7,284.49. -Includes \$49 in donations in August (Pending Sept. Tour Donations of \$20.00)

Old Business

3. Local Landmarks- Fort Atkinson Club Local Landmark plaque has been ordered. The Club paid \$229 for an additional plaque noting State and Federal Listings. Their funds have been received. Plaques due in 4 weeks. Also ordered a State Register listing for the Water Tower.

4. Water Tower

a. Tour Report-September 2 tours hosted by Steve Tesmer, Vern Zech, and Jim Jorgenson. Approximately 25 visitors. Chamber received calls about the tour, as well as Doellstedt received several calls, so the word is spreading. Next tour will be October 7, hosted by Phil Niemeyer and Vern Zech. A display shadow box is featured at the Hoard Museum, advertising the upcoming tour.

b. Tower improvements: Phil Niemeyer and Rich Doellstedt used the current supply of Sherwin Williams epoxy paint to paint all the stairs. They suggest we do touch up every year to keep on top of it. Big thanks to them!

c. Bench reference plates-Doellstedt will order, including Phil's name as maker of benches.

5. Website/Computer/ Social Media- Tabled

6. HPC Files-Doellstedt continues to work on these.

7. Walking Tour Brochure updates to reflect new additions: Julia showed a second version, we looked at another brochure from Evansville for inspiration. Still considering spring publication. Jim provided one quote for brochure, but it needs fine-tuning. Approx. \$1.00 per brochure. Chamber likes the idea of a free brochure, and a slim vertical one to go in brochure racks.

8. Helmut Ajango Talk, Sunday, Nov. 12, at Hoard Museum. Tammy has been in contact with Tanya, Jim Draeger's Admin personnel to firm up details. Need name of talk to proceed with posters and publicity. Work that needs to be done includes publicity: Press Release, radio, posters; Room Set up, contacting other HPC's, arrange artifact display with Merrilee, using things from their collection, additional contact with the family.

9. Historic District Signage – Jorgenson willing to talk with Chamber, as they have a banner initiative underway. We could do some sort of partnership. Julia met with Rudy Bushcott for fact finding about banner riggings.

10. City Ordinance review-tabled

11. Local Landmark Nomination. Tabled

12. Commission Vacancy.... City will repost and place 2nd ad in newspaper. The position runs through 2021, to fulfill Zech vacancy.

New Business

1. A Brochure rack containing preservation related information has been installed at the Hoard Museum in the Knox archive. Most publications are from the Wisconsin Historical Society. Thanks to Merrilee and the museum staff.

Adjournment at 7:15 p.m.

Next meeting

Monday, October 9, 2017 6:30 at the DF Public Library

Minutes typed:

Tammy Doellstedt

Chair

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