



**LINN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**935 Second Street SW ▪ Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404 ▪ 319-892-5138**

**Minutes**  
**January 18, 2023**

**Members Present**

Maura Pilcher  
Michael LeClere (by phone)  
Todd McNall  
Steve Ciha  
Barb Westercamp  
Hilary Copeland-Marvin  
Robert Peterson  
Nancy Kraft  
Kim Hanna

**Absent**

**Guests**

**Staff Present**

Stephanie Lientz, Staff Liaison  
Susan Bennett, Recording Secretary

**Call to Order**

Chair Maura Pilcher called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**Election of Officers**

McNall nominated Pilcher for Chairperson, and Westercamp seconded. All present voted aye, Pilcher abstained.

Westercamp nominated McNall for Vice Chair, and Kraft seconded. All present voted aye.

Ciha nominated Westercamp for Secretary, and McNall seconded. All present voted aye, Westercamp abstained.



### **Public Comment**

None

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by McNall, second by Westercamp, those present voting aye, to approve minutes of December 21, 2022.

### **Announcements/Communication**

Welcome to Kim Hanna, newest Commission member.

McNall, Westercamp & Copeland-Marvin were reappointed for a second term. LeClere will be reappointed for a second term at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

Lientz noted the 2022 Mileage Reimbursement form is due to Planning & Development staff by March 1, 2023.

The CLG grant was awarded to the Historic Preservation Commission. That money is intended to aid the HPC in getting Klinsky Farms on the National Historic Register. Lientz noted that we will need a past year's RFP to adapt for this project.

McNall stated his acquaintance, Tim Oberbreckling, is unable to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission at this time.

Ciha noted that there is a training opportunity, "Passive Floor Restoration," on January 28, 2023 at 9:00 am at 353 Park Terrace in Cedar Rapids.

### **Budget**

Current Balance \$19,210.

### **New Business**

Lientz noting that she had heard from Ann Opatz, and The Lisbon History Center will be submitting an extension request.

McNall stated the plan to move the Bertram Bridge is proceeding apace.

### **FY 2022 Work Plan**

The 2022 CLG Annual Report was discussed. The Wickiup Tour will be added to Section 8. HPC also provided Tech Assistance during the grant program. Happel worked with the owner of Klinsky Farm. Ciha attended a window restoration presentation. Peterson worked to install a mural at a local bank.

Lientz reminded the Commission that the 2023 Preserve Iowa Summit will be held in Sioux City IA on June 1-3, 2023. The County will pay Commission members registration fee – Commission members should let Lientz know if they would like to attend.

Kraft asked if the Commission ever held meetings at other locations besides the Public Service Center. Discussion was had about previous meeting places. Pilcher mentioned that in the past, the HPC held the annual grant workshop at different locations throughout the county.

Marvin-Copeland stated that the online HPC grant was ready to go. She will share with the other Commission members, and they should email her with any feedback. The grant goes live February 1, 2023.

The kiosks were discussed. Ciha suggested that the art for the kiosks had been added to a shared Google Drive folder. Lientz will look.

Ciha reported that the cities of Mt Vernon & Lisbon want to be recognized for their assistance in securing funding. The HPC agreed that it would be possible to add “in partnership with ...” on the kiosks. Pilcher has access to the computer software Illustrator and could add that to the kiosk data.

Ciha provided an update on the funding raised by each city – Mt Vernon has raised \$2500 + \$1500 for their kiosk, and Lisbon has raised \$2000.

Westercamp motioned, McNall seconded to move forward with the plans to restore the Highway Patrol kiosks. All present voted aye.

Marvin-Copeland suggested removing the brochure from the Work Plan as most people are going paperless.

The Mount Vernon Road kiosk was discussed. Should it be replaced or removed? The issue is finding a group that will take ownership of the restoration and the maintenance of the site. Linn County Engineering and Secondary Roads will not be maintaining that site. Peterson suggested maybe we look into getting it classified as a micro-park or a local landmark.

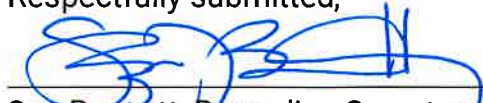
### **Next Meeting**

February 15th, 2023

**Adjournment**

Motion by Westercamp, second by Kraft, those present voting aye, to adjourn the HPC meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Approved,

  
Maura Pilcher, Chair