



LINN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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Minutes
June 17th, 2021

Members Present

Maura Pilcher, Chair
Michael LeClere, Vice-Chair
Amanda Happel
Steve Ciha
Barb Westercamp
Hilary Copeland-Marvin
Robert Peterson
Nancy Kraft

Absent

Todd McNall

Guests

Staff Present

Stephanie Lientz, Staff Liaison
Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair Maura Pilcher called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. The group introduced themselves, as there were several new members present.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Westercamp, second by Copeland-Marvin, those present voting aye, to approve the minutes of May 19, 2021.



Election of Officers

Happel motioned that Pilcher be re-elected Chair, Westercamp seconded, Pilcher abstained, remaining members voted aye. Motion carried.

Westercamp motioned that LeClere be re-elected Vice-Chair, Happel seconded, LeClere abstained, remaining members voted aye. Motion carried.

Pilcher motioned that Happel be elected Secretary, LeClere seconded, Happel abstained, remaining members voted aye. Motion carried.

Announcements/Communication

Lientz passed around a thank you card from the Friends of the Lisbon Library for the grant award.

Lientz passed around an announcement from Bruce more regarding their Pride and Preservation Fundraising Campaign.

Lientz mentioned a housekeeping note that members are to go through their staff liaison when needing to contact another department in the county.

Lientz stated that Mike Tertinger will be the new staff liaison later this year.

Budget

Budget is currently \$13,370.50. Stephanie will request that \$11,906 be carried over to the FY22 HPC budget.

Discussion was had regarding the travel reimbursement forms. Bennett will make sure that the reimbursement forms are sent to each member of the HPC.

Pilcher reminded the Commission that the operating budget includes training fees and travel to trainings, although it doesn't cover hotel bills.

New Business

The Commission discussed possible ways to honor Dick Thomas for his contributions to documenting and preserving history in Linn County. Some ideas included having the Board of Supervisors designate a day in his honor; or getting the Iowa, Iowa Magazine or the Cedar Rapids Gazette run a profile on him. If anyone has any other ideas, please let Maura Pilcher know.

FY 2021 Work Plan

The Commission briefly discussed the FY21 Work Plan. Pilcher advised the group of a Section 106 situation. The Bertram Bridge, a one lane bridge leading to the Indian Creek Nature Center, will need to be removed and replaced. The Commission discussed the possibility of having it moved to another location. Construction will start on the new bridge in the spring.

The Commission discussed several items on the FY21 Work Plan. Copeland-Marvin will spearhead "Provide education about and alternatives to the demolition of NRHP listed and eligible properties in Linn County."

Pilcher noted that the FY plan will be sent out to members, and that they can add ideas if they wish for the Commission to review.

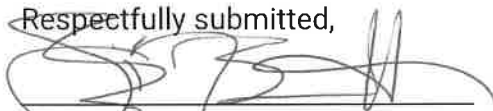
Next Meeting

July 21, 2021

Adjournment -

Motion by Westercamp, second by Le Clere, those present voting aye, to adjourn the HPC meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Approved,



Maura Pilcher, Chair