

WHITEWATER LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Minutes for September 7, 2011

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
Chair, Scott called to order the monthly meeting of the Whitewater Landmarks Commission at 5:06 P.M. in the City Manager's Conference Room of the Whitewater Municipal Building. Roll call was taken with all members present: Carol Christ, Richard Helmick, Linda Loomer, Marilyn Kienbaum, Alan Marshall, Mariann Scott and Nancy Wendt. New members Alan Marshall and Nancy Wendt were given a warm welcome.
- II. Election of new officers
Nomination slate - Chair Carol Christ. Vice chair Alan Marshall, Secretary Mariann Scott.
Helmick moved and Loomer seconded to accept the slate as nominated. AYES: Christ, Helmick, Kienbaum, Loomer, Marshall, Scott, Wendt. NOES: None
- III. Approval of agenda
Helmick moved and Marshall seconded to accept the September 7, 2011 agenda as printed. AYES: Christ, Helmick, Kienbaum, Loomer, Marshall, Scott, Wendt. NOES: None
- IV. Approval of Minutes
Helmick moved and Marshall seconded to accept the August 3, 2011 minutes as read. AYES: Christ, Helmick, Kienbaum, Loomer, Marshall, Scott, Wendt. NOES: None
- V. Date of next Landmark's Commission Meeting
The next meeting is scheduled for Wed., October 5, 2011 at 5:00 P.M in the City Manager's Conference Room in the Whitewater Municipal Building.
- VI. Citizen's Comments
None

REPORTS

- VII. Report on James and Ella Rockefeller House
Christ reported that Julie Jenks, DOT, reported that she photographed the house being taken down today. The digital photos will be sent to the city. Stipulation II Archeological survey will not be completed until the construction project is completed. Report will be sent to the commission at that time.
- VII. Report on Yasko House, 136 Whiton Street – Application for possible Local Landmark Nomination
Helmick reported that the arrangements are completed for the public hearing on Thursday, September 15, 2011. Scott reported that the meeting will be videotaped by the city cable station.
- IX. Report on Hoard Museum Panel and Brochure
Helmick showed photos of proposed Hoard panel, Christ showed photos of Old World informational panel of an Oak Savanna as an example. Landmarks Commission wants to approve the text at our October 5th meeting.
- X. Report on Friends of the Effigy Mounds
Helmick reviewed the "Letter of Agreement" for the new members. No new information. Volunteer work projects are on hold until a mutually acceptable agreement is signed. No tours given since last meeting.
- XI. Report on "FREE LIBRARY" history panel for White Memorial Building
No report
- XII. Report on Birge Fountain
Loomer reported the fountain painting is complete except for the cherubs. There is discussion as to whether they should be bronzed.

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OLD BUSINESS

- XIII. Report on status of fence encroachments in Effigy Mounds Preserve
For the benefit of the new members we reviewed and discussed the encroachment situation. Plan to contact Brunner and Singer before the next council meeting when the encroachments are on the agenda. Asked Kienbaum to place the fence encroachments on the Common Council agenda.
- XIV. Status of Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve Maintenance and Restoration Plan
Scott reported that a copy of the final Plan is not available yet. Asked Kienbaum to place a discussion of the Restoration Plan on the Common Council agenda.
- XV. Wisconsin Historical Society Local History and Historic Preservation Conference – Sept. 23-24, 2011 – Stevens Point, WI.
Helmick reported that he plans to drive the city car to Stevens Point Thursday and return Saturday. He has signed up for the Basic Commissioner training.
- XVI. Landmarks Commission office space at City Hall
No report.

NEW BUSINESS

- XVII. Report on Whitewater Historical Society projects
Scott reported that the Landmarks' review of the Passenger Depot is triggered when the contractor applies for a building permit. The city attorney is working on the Title 17 amendment for Certificates of Approval (COA). Marshall reported on the progress on the new displays that will be in the former Gentlemen's Smoking Room. The first display will be on trains.
- XVIII. Discussion of possible Classroom Educational Material for Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve
No report.
- XIX. Future Agenda Items
Helmick suggested adding item A. 5.
- A. Review possible future local landmark designations
1. Leon Pescheret house
 2. Vivian Henderson house
 3. Starin Park Historic Neighborhood
 4. UW Stone Pillars and Starin Park Pillars
 5. **Congregational Parsonage, corner of Center and Boone Court**
- B. New provision of Chapter 17 – criteria and list
- A. Possible amendments to Chapter 17 Ordinance (COA, Annual report to council)
- B. Possible Grants – Jeffris Family and CLG
- C. Plaques for Whitewater sites that are on National Register
- XXI. Adjournment
Marshall moved and Loomer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 P.M. AYES: Christ, Helmick, Kienbaum, Loomer, Marshall, Scott, Wendt. NOES: None

Respectfully submitted,

Mariann Scott
Secretary