

HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: August 12, 2015

PRESENT: Merle Hanson, Mary Edel Beyer, Carolyn Larson, Kendall Larson, Wes Hamilton, Susan Briggs, Preston Lawing and Andy Bloedorn

STAFF PRESENT: Myron White, Development Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Wes Hamilton called the meeting to order at 4:07.

2. Approval of Minutes – July 8, 2015 Minutes

Kendall Larson suggested the minutes be amended to reflect the discussion of having a conversation with City Council reaffirming the role of the HPC. Preston Lawing made a motion to approve the July 8, 2015 minutes as amended, seconded by Susan Briggs. All those present voted aye.

3. Process for Choosing a Chairperson

The nominating committee reported that more time was necessary to bring a nomination for chairperson before the Commission.

The Commission held a brief discussion on possible new members.

4. July Meeting Follow-Up

- Staff provided plans for the building under construction on 6th and Franklin. Comments were made that the color of the building should match those of the neighborhood. Commission members asked if a landscape plan had been submitted.
- Staff provided an overview of the process necessary to create a historic district. It also provided information on the conservation district recently formed in Red Wing.
- The commission suggested they create a list of properties considered endangered. A conversation followed about the former high school auditorium. It was pointed out that one major challenge of the facility was there was lots of city, but very little parking.
- Staff provided the Commission with a timeline regarding the code review process. The commission asked if the City Planner might attend a future meeting to discuss the process.
- Staff provided the Commission with a list of properties with National and/or Local historic designation.

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5. Statewide Preservation Conference

The Commission was reminded of the State Preservation Conference in Little Falls on September 18th/19th. None of the commissioners in attendance were able to attend the conference. Staff indicated Mark Moeller may be able to attend.

6. City Meeting with School Board

The Commission was reminded of the upcoming City Council/School Board meeting on August 20th. Several Commission members indicated they would be in attendance.

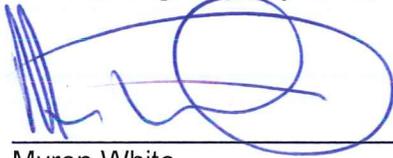
7. Other Business

Commission members asked staff to provide a better understanding of the process behind local designation of historic properties.

Commission members asked if a list of endangered properties had been previously established. They seemed to remember Mr. Moeller may have such a list.

8. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:22 pm.



Myron White
Development Coordinator