



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

Minutes
August 18th, 2021

Members Present

Maura Pilcher, Chair
Michael LeClere, Vice-Chair
Amanda Happel, Secretary
Todd McNall
Steve Ciha
Barb Westercamp
Hilary Copeland-Marvin (phone)
Nancy Kraft

Absent

Robert Peterson

Guests

Staff Present

Stephanie Lientz, Staff Liaison
Susan Bennett, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair Maura Pilcher called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Westercamp, second by Happel to approve the minutes of July 21, 2021. All those present voting aye, to approve the minutes of July 21, 2021.

Announcements/Communication

None.



Budget

Current Account Balance : \$9,545.00.

New Business

None.

FY 2022 Work Plan

Pilcher reminded all present that any Commission member is welcome to update the Work Plan if they need or want to. The Work Plan has an area for projects that are put on the back burner, but can be revisited at any time.

Discussion of next potential National Register nomination, as Etzel Sugar Grove Farm is ineligible due to derecho damage to most structures. There was talk of possibly working on the Witwer farms, which is more of a story than individual structures. Witwer owned the MeToo Grocery Store chain, and preserved many older farmhouses and the Bottle Works building.

An update was provided on the Bertram Bridge Project, which will require Section 106 review by the Commission. The Indian Creek Nature Center might take the entire bridge. Funding for this bridge might be available through a CLG grant. The CLG grant is due September 3, 2021, not September 23, 2021.

Peterson brought up the issue of Historical Murals and how to save them – for example, the mural in the old Marion Post office is easily removable and can be placed in the Heritage Center.

A reminder, History Day is April 25, 2022.

A reminder that the Preserve Iowa Summit will offer information on how to lobby, how to change laws and how to meet representatives. It will be virtual. Contact Stephanie if you would like to register.

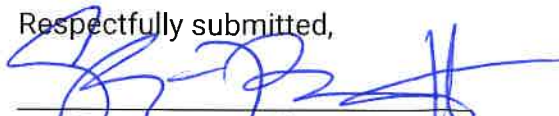
Next Meeting

September 15th, 2021

Adjournment –

Motion by Westercamp, second by LeClere, those present voting aye, to adjourn the HPC meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Approved,


Maura Pilcher, Chair