



LINN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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Minutes
September 15, 2021

Members Present

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

Absent

Nancy Kraft
Todd McNall

Guests

Staff Present

Stephanie Lientz, Staff Liaison
Desire Irakoze, Staff
Susan Bennett, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair Maura Pilcher called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Happel, second by LeClere, those present voting aye, to approve the minutes of August 18, 2021.



Announcements/Communication

Virtual PastForward conference Nov. 2-5, pre & post conference workshops.

LeClere will attend a meeting to identify watershed projects.

Halverson House is seeking a speaker on 10/15 for 2 minutes as we funded them in the grant program.

New Planning & Development Staff Member Desire Irakoze was introduced to the Commission.

Budget

Current Budget Amount : \$9545. We have not yet received an invoice for the kiosks.

New Business

None.

FY 2021 Work Plan

Peterson suggested that the HPC start a program to recognize Linn County preservation projects, similar to the one established in Elgin, Illinois. There was discussion regarding this idea. There had been a Recognition Day hosted by Cedar Rapids, Linn County and Save CR in the past (last held in 2018) that might serve as a model. It was an all day event, with bus tours, trophies, and workshops. It was decided we should check with Cedar Rapids to see if they have anything in the works for this.

Marvin-Copeland, Peterson and Happel will work on Preservation Month. Ideas included giving each recipient a tri-fold poster and having them decorate them with their projects. Last year the event was virtual, but before that it was held at the History Center. We will also need to work on a grant to hire 4 buses to view the recipients locations.

Regarding the Historical Preservation Commission's review of buildings to be demolished, Pilcher will send Marvin-Copeland a flash drive with the information regarding what has been discussed and created. Marvin-Copeland will set up a small group meeting to discuss possible strategies.

Sec. 106

The proposed removal and relocation of the Bertram Road Bridge over Indian Creek was discussed and lauded as a success story. It will be moved to a trail at the Indian Creek Nature Center, painted and restabilized.

The Pinicon Ridge Park roller dam in Central City is also being worked on, but the modifications are insignificant, and will not require any action on the Commission's part.

Next Meeting

October 20th, 2021

Adjournment -

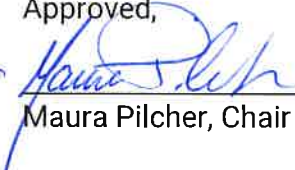
Motion by Westercamp, second by LeClere, those present voting aye, to adjourn the HPC meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Approved,



Maura Pilcher, Chair