



LINN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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Minutes
November 17th, 2021

Members Present

Maura Pilcher, Chair
Michael LeClere, Vice-Chair
Amanda Happel, Secretary
Todd McNall
Steve Ciha
Barb Westercamp
Hilary Copeland-Marvin
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 4:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Westercamp, second by Copeland-Marvin, those present voting aye, to approve the minutes of October 20, 2021.

Announcements/Communication

Lientz informed the Commission about the Bruce more Donor Holiday Preview, being held November 19-21. Spots can be reserved by phone or email.

Lientz explained to the Commission that Linn County is not involved in the the Heartland Interstate Pipeline unless a floodplain permit is required. There is an informational meeting being held for the Linn County project area on December 6 @ 6pm at Vets Memorial.

Lientz stated that the Save CR Heritage foundation is having a salvage sale @ Halverson House on November 18th from 6-8 pm and on November 20th from 9am – noon.

Budget

Current Budget Amount : \$9440. There will be a budget amendment December 1, 2021 to cover the kiosk invoice.

New Business

None.

FY 2021 Work Plan

Re: Section 106 – There are no final details on the Bertram bridge relocation to Indian Creek Nature Center, although work is progressing on the project. The State's legal staff is reviewing the MOA.

The Historic Preservation Commission was contacted by Miriam Knutson regarding 1534 Ivanhoe Road to help document the farm for a project she is working on. It is a Heritage Farm, at least 150 years old. The HPC discussed various ways to help Miriam get on the property recognized on the National Historic Register and other possible avenues for her to explore. It was agreed that the HPC should Story Map this property. Pilcher will contact Miriam and her mother and discuss connecting the family other agencies.

The grant application process was discussed. The HPC talked about streamlining the application to make it easier to review. Kraft suggested adding word count minimums and maximums to some of the questions to ensure we get the necessary data. Happel suggested creating a PDF of the questions separate from the application. The grant subcommittee will meet to discuss these ideas. LeClere suggested we ask the

applicants how the grant will help their project function as an educational tool. He has drafted a question for that. Pilcher will forward that question to the subcommittee. The Granger House was discussed. They applied for a grant for FY21 to roof the carriage house, but no work has been completed. Their final report was late, and included only an estimate for the work to be completed. There has been no communication from Granger House indicating that there was an issue with the work. Lientz will follow up with Ande Hendricks and Joi Bergman to see what should be done regarding this situation, and will report back to the Commission.

Happel questioned whether the HPC should do a five-year audit of grants already disbursed. The Commission discussed this but no decision was reached.

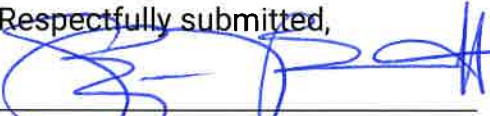
Next Meeting

December 15th, 2021

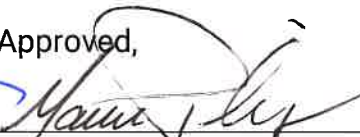
Adjournment -

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

Respectfully submitted,


Sue Bennett, Recording Secretary

Approved,


Maura Pilcher, Chair