

Fort Madison Historic Preservation Commission

May 11, 2015

City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Chairman Bob Morawitz, Andy Andrews, Dianna Holmes, Marie Brady-Whitcanack, Phyllis Brummitt, Mark Lair, Dan Reppert and John Luna-City Representative.

Guest: David Varley

Chairman Morawitz called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

A motion to approve the Agenda moved by Andy Andrews, seconded by Mark Lair. Approved.

The minutes March 9, 2015 were moved for approval by Mark Lair, seconded by Dan Reppert. No April meeting. Approved.

There was no change in the Treasurer's Report for \$6,796.20.

CORRESPONDENCE

All members acknowledged receiving several e-mails in reference to the commission. No discussion on any.

Marie Brady-Whitcanack handed out "Historic Preservation in Housing and Community Development" information. Commission members were asked to read and discuss at the June meeting.

Information from Megan Brown on "Commission Code of Ethics", plaques for signage, St. Luke's Episcopal Church history, and the Women History Museum was reviewed by members. Each received a copy of the Code of Ethics.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Endangered Property: None noted.
2. No demolition permits have been received. A Demolition Permit form is being designed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Members reviewed and discussed Historic District signage for our 2 districts. Signage is being coordinated with Partners, city parks department and tourism. Commission would like signage to be placed on the bi-pass exits for both historical districts. State highway DOT needs to be contacted. The commission discussed and recommended to have the same style of signage throughout the community such as for parks, bike routes, and other places of interest in our Fort Madison community.
2. Historic District Celebration planning has been postponed until signage issues can be resolved.
3. Members discussed the reutilization of the prison to present to the steering committee for the prison.

Andy Andrews indicated the monies were raised to purchase the property next to the new Dollar General Store for the Old Fort Battle Field site.

Motion for adjournment at 6:38 p.m. was by Mark Lair and seconded by Andy Andrews. Next scheduled meeting is Monday, June 8, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. City Council Chambers. Community is invited to attend.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dianna Holmes, Commission Member