



## LINN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes  
April 17th, 2019

### **Members Present**

Maura Pilcher  
Patricia Soukup  
Amanda Happel  
Nancy Goodlove  
Michael LeClere  
Connie Robinson

### **Absent**

Brent Harstad  
Dick Thomas

### **Staff Present**

Mike Tertinger, Staff Liaison  
Jessica Black, Recording Secretary  
Charlie Nichols, Planning & Zoning Division Manager

### **Call to Order**

Chair Maura Pilcher called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Announcements/Communication**

None

### **Approval of Minutes**

Soukup motioned, Goodlove second, all present voting aye to approve minutes from March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting as submitted.

### **Budget**

Remaining account balance is \$12,502.

There is \$2,250 remaining in the HPC Grant Program budget.



## New Business

Felicite Wolfe, African American Museum of Iowa, presented grant application.

Katie Benedix, Brucemore, presented grant application.

Jami Roskamp, The History Center, presented grant application. LeClere: is intent to use them consistently with a rotating display with different organization? Roskamp: yes – intend to have them out as long as possible, but can be moveable during programs to avoid spills or scratches. Goodlove: will you ask groups to reach out to you to display? Roskamp: yes Connie: hours of operation? Roskamp: 10-4 Tuesday – Saturday. Connie: any plans of extending those hours for working people? Roskamp: small staffed, hard to do, not an area where I make decisions.

Julie Towe, Alburnett Historical Society, presented grant application. Michael: commended Julie for getting to this point. Connie: agreed with Michael – huge accomplishment.

David Goodlove, Central City Historical Society, presented grant application. Nancy stepped out. Happel: currently doing anything to keep moisture out of the building? David: removed artifacts from room so they do not deteriorate. Concerned about moisture going to bottom level of house. Maura: what kind of windows? David: assume double-hung windows. Maura: possible to get cut sheets from door & windows from Don Hogan (contractor)? Would like to look at it. Dave: yes

Jenni Archibald, Coggon Area Betterment Association, presented grant application. Michael stepped out. Jenni: May 1<sup>st</sup> is listed as deadline date on application, but hoping for extension. Maura: we understand construction projects, weather in Iowa, etc. Connie: extend kudos to you; great group that's done a lot in a small amount of time. Asking for a considerable amount of money, should you receive a portion of requested amount be beneficial? Jenni: yes – absolutely. Can only do one window at a time. Anything will help. Goodlove: done great job of getting public into your building. Given 48k back to community. Maura: cut sheet for windows? New windows with original profile? Jenni: yes – much of the work will just be panes, not entire window.

Dave Oster, Jenni Fick, Cindy Haddish, Iowa Music & Arts Association, presented their grant application. Maura: are these books going to be for sale? Jenni: yes. This is not to make money – just to break even and capture history of drum corps in Linn County. Cindy: would like to get a copy in the library too. Maura: will there be a digital version of this as well? Jenni: could easily be done. Happel: are you doing a call out to citizens to get information? Cindy: we will be – social media & gazette. Connie: stories you are referencing, do you currently have them in print? Are there taped conversations? Cindy: haven't started that yet. I have an idea of who to talk to. Jenni: capturing stories now is time sensitive, as a lot of members are older. Happel: taking presales on the book? Another way to get money during grant process. Jenni: yes

Marilyn Millard, Coggon Community Historical Society, presented grant application. Goodlove: thanks for mentioning the mishap with first contractor.

Judi Pohorsky, Genealogical Society of Linn County, presented grant application. Soukup: brought 4 scrapbooks of gentleman that died in Fairfax, digitized all scrapbooks. Pilcher: what kind of response has the general public had with the product from last grant, digitization? Pohorsky: love it. All on CD's, but need to put it on server. Happel: do you have plot maps on a schedule to be digitized? Robinson: thankful for the work you do – good example of small & mighty.

Patty Soukup, Save CR Heritage, presented grant application. Robinson: commended Save CR Heritage. No financial statement – does it exist? Soukup: 8k in bank, that's all. Robinson: have you compared software programs? Soukup: yes, 6 different programs. Bloomerang was user-friendly, included online training & support. Robinson: do you know anyone else that uses this program? Soukup: No. Pilcher: what happens at the end of your subscription? Soukup: budget should not be a problem once we get a truck. Funds are currently tied up in truck. Pilcher: is there any exportability in this? Does it export to excel? Soukup: yes. It's cloud based – can share with anyone. Soukup: thank HPC for cemetery project last year.

Paul Wood, Granger House Museum presented grant application. Pilcher: does roofing company have experience with chimney this old? Granger House: yes, four star has two employees that have worked with this.

Lon Pluckhahn, City of Marion, presented grant application. Robinson: what is building currently being used for? Lon: small retail use, flowers, gifts, etc. Pilcher: repair or replace? Lon: repair, replace first Goodlove: it says your 2014 quote is from Webers and they are out of business now. Do you have another contractor? Lon: yes, company out of quad cities. Happel: do you have a quote from them? Lon: no. Happel: is there any way you could get a quote? Pilcher: What happens when you don't get the full amount? Lon: get as far as money can take us. Go with worst condition first & proceed.

Brooke Prouty, Uptown Marion presented grant app. LeClere: actual virtual reality or augmented reality? Brooke showed example. Happel: specific streets you want to target then expand beyond? Brooke: 7<sup>th</sup> street and then 10<sup>th</sup> street. Tour before actually coming. LeClere: virtual, not augmented. Pilcher: digs idea of library. Will speak to larger audience.

### **Preservation Month Event**

Happel: save the date flyer to go out tomorrow. Sign up Genius: specify in email to feel free to forward this to anyone else interested. Add refreshments to email. Everyone committed to bringing tri-fold except for History Center. May 13<sup>th</sup> is deadline for posters. Maura will contact BOS to invite them. Get word out via communication office.

Open HPC position – Amanda could not find on webpage. Tertinger will check into. Send with invite.

Mike will resend Newton conference info.

Soukup; EcoFest at Newbo Saturday 10-4.

### **Next Meeting**

May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Adjournment** – Motion by Robinson, second by Soukup, those present voting aye, to adjourn the HPC meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

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Jessie Black, Recording Secretary

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Maura Pilcher, Chair



