

Minutes
Landmarks Commission Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2011

The meeting of the Landmarks Commission for the City of Monona was called to order by Chair Mary Lou Burczyk at 3:00 p.m. in the Large City Hall Conference Room.

Present: Chair Mary Lou Burczyk (late), Mr. Jerry Nelson, Mr. Ray Krizmanic, Ms. Shirley Homburg, Ms. Jane Kuzma

Also Present: Planning and Community Development Coordinator Paul Kachelmeier, Planning Administrative Assistant Rachel Jacques, and former Chair of the Landmarks Commission Jan Marshall Fox.

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A motion was made by Ms. Homburg, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the minutes of January 25, 2011.

The motion carried with one correction.

Appearances

There were no appearances and the appearances section was closed.

Unfinished Business

Item 5.A. Discussion of Reprinting of Landmarks Booklet.

The Landmarks Commission reviewed the contents of the original book, and there was discussion of the outline for the new book.

The Landmarks Commission discussed the first chapter on Indian Mounds and how to organize the revised content. The consensus of the Commission was to change the name of the chapter from "Indians and Indian Mounds" to the more inclusive "Native American Heritage," and to create subsections entitled: "Indian Mounds," "Recollections by Harry Whitehorse" and "Recollections by Chief George Whitewing."

Chair Burczyk said the Commission should be sure to identify the mounds that are on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

There was brief discussion of adding pictures of new plaques, and of the dancing ceremony held at the dedication of the Outlet Mound.

There was also brief discussion of edits needed to the original text and content. Edits identified include changing the word "Beltline" to "W. Broadway," describing the

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Winnegabo as “Ho-Chunk (formerly Winnebago),” and listing mounds by name and address. Mr. Nelson suggested including a map of Monona, possibly on the inside or outside cover. The Commission decided that specific content edits could be made at future meetings.

The Landmarks Commission discussed the second chapter, “Farms,” and decided that no changes were needed.

The Landmarks Commission discussed the third chapter, “Cottages and Resorts,” and the possibility of adding addresses to the photos of *landmarked* homes in the book.

The Landmarks Commission reviewed the fourth chapter, “Homes.” There was brief discussion of whether or not to have a separate bungalow section, or to include that in the Sears section.

The consensus of the Landmarks Commission was to organize chapter sections as follows: Chet Clark House, Charles Fix House, Otto Schroeder House, Adolph Wagner House, Knute Reindahl House, International Style, Lustron Homes, Sears Homes (including content on Bungalows), Mid-Century Houses (including Erdman), and the 1953 Parade of Homes.

The Landmarks Commission reviewed the fifth chapter, “Beginnings.” Mr. Krizmanic suggested changing the chapter title to “Beginning of the Village...1938” to make the date clearer. There was brief discussion of how changing the title could make it clearer what it refers to, and might also make the tone less dismissive of Native settlements.

Commissioners agreed they would like to add a description of who Ernie Ferchland was, and to add a note directing readers to the section on Ernie’s Trading Post. Mr. Krizmanic also suggested adding a note on when Monona became a city, 1969.

The Landmarks Commission reviewed the sixth chapter, “Linking.” The Commissioners briefly discussed the expansion of the Royal Airport section, which Planning and Community Development Coordinator Paul Kachelmeier volunteered to write.

Ms. Marshal Fox proposed adding page numbers to the table of contents, and Commission members agreed.

The Landmarks Commission discussed the seventh chapter, “Sustaining.” Ms. Marshal Fox suggested some re-writing on what the schools were used for. There was discussion of checking the Blooming Grove Historical Society for better pictures of the Town Hall. Staff offered to check for the current-day address of the Morningside Sanitarium site.

Lastly, the Landmarks Commission discussed the “Introduction” and “Acknowledgements” sections. Ms. Marshal Fox suggested listing 1980 Landmarks Commission members, as well as 2011 Commission members and City staff. She also suggested adding a new introduction written by Chair Burczyk. There was discussion about whether to add new acknowledgements to the existing list or create a separate list for the 2011 edition.

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The consensus of the Landmarks Commission was to set May 1 as the deadline for the updated copy, which will be worked on at each meeting.

Item 5.B. Review Dane County Cultural Affairs grant contract obligations.

Planning Administrative Assistant Rachel Jacques gave a brief overview of the status of the grant from the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission. Staff had signed the grant contract since the last Landmarks Commission meeting, and Ms. Jacques reviewed the Commission's obligations as grantees.

Staff announced that the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission invited members of the Landmarks Commission to attend their annual meeting on Feb 22nd. Per the DCCAC's suggestion, the Landmarks Commission will set up a brief display of the grant-funded project for the DCCAC membership. Landmarks Commission members all agreed they would like to attend this event during their next meeting.

Item 5.C. Add specific dates, times and locations to Project Calendar

There was discussion about the project calendar. Commission members added specific dates, including a deadline of May 1 for all new copy for the book, August 1 for printing the book, and October 1 for submitting the grant status report to the DCCAC.

New Business

Chair Burczyk announced that Terry Groves of the Monona Chamber of Commerce invited her to submit information on the project for the Chamber's newsletter.

Miscellaneous Business:

Item 7.A. Meeting Two Times each Month.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 3:00 pm.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Krizmanic, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to adjourn.

The motion carried.

5:00 p.m.