

**Minutes  
Landmarks Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, August 13, 2013**

The meeting of the Landmarks Commission for the City of Monona was called to order by Chair Ray Krizmanic at 4:05pm.

Present: Chair Ray Krizmanic, Ms. Jane Kuzma and Mr. Jerry Nelson, Ms. Shirley Homburg

Absent: Ms. Mary Lou Burczyk

Also Present: Sonja Reichertz, City Planner and Assistant Economic Development Director

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Shirley Homburg, to approve the minutes of June 10, 2013.

The motion carried with corrections.

**Appearances**

Anne Wellman, 4529 Winnequah Road, appeared and described plans for a proposed building addition to her landmarked property. She stated that she intends to remove the 1954 and 1960 building additions and incorporate into one. She said she wants the addition to expand floor space, make structural improvements, and add insulation and energy efficient windows, and bring the structure into code compliance. She said she wishes to maintain the historic uniqueness of the home and architecture. She said there would be modifications to the windows. She said that the structure will still have a shed roof with shake shingles and have board and batten siding.

City Planner Sonja Reichertz reported that the Landmarks Commission is not required by ordinance to review and act on plans for changes to landmarked properties. The Plan Commission must make a determination on the effect of changes to this historic character. She said Ms. Wellman was able to attend the Landmarks Commission meeting and present plans, and therefore the Landmarks Commission has the opportunity to make an advisory recommendation the Plan Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Kuzma for approval of recommendation of the concept pending final review by Plan Commission.

The motion carried.

Item 6.A. under new business, Review of Proposed Alterations to the City of Monona Landmarked Property at 5301 Monona Drive, The Nichols School Building, for a new 1,182 square foot entryway, was taken out of order by the Commission.

Mark Scullion, Facilities Director, Monona Grove School District, described proposed changes to the Nichols School building. He stated that an 1,182 sf addition will be added to northwest corner of the

structure as a more prominent entry way for the school district offices. Jared Rossing, Director of Business Services, Monona Grove School District described the proposed building materials for the addition and the various additions make to the building over time.

The Commission discussed the re-location of the Nichols School historic marker boulder discussed moving it to a more prominent location. Mr. Krizmanic suggested moving it to the corner of Nichols Road and Monona Drive. Mr. Scullion stated that this would be a good location for the boulder. City Planner Sonja Reichertz said that she will coordinate this.

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Homburg, to recommend approval of concept of changes to the Nichols School pending final review and approval by the Plan Commission.

The motion carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

5.A. Report on Status of Historical Marker for Ernie's Trading Post, 4500 Winnequah Road and Discussion of Dedication Ceremony on 9/1/13.

Mr. Krizmanic stated that the 12" x 18" photo of Ernie's Trading post will be mounted by Pechmann's onto the historic marker's pole. Mr. Krizmanic said that all sign parts should be paid for with City funds rather than Landmarks Commission funds. He said that the sign will be delivered to Pechmann's rather than to Public Works so they can complete the mounting.

Mr. Krizmanic said that the Public Works crews removed brush and stumps around the marker site. He said that he and Ms. Kuzma pruned shrubbery at the site and that grass seed was added to the area.

The Commission discussed where the final sign location should be. Mr. Krizmanic stated that a five foot post should be placed at the marker site.

The Commission discussed moving the boulder closer to the marker prior to the dedication ceremony. The consensus of the Commission was that it should be moved into the area the marker will be installed so that all components are in the appropriate area for the dedication ceremony.

The Commission discussed the time capsule to be buried at the site. The capsule will be a three foot PVC pipe buried between the marker and the boulder.

Mr. Krizmanic said that Mary Possin, owner of Monona Motors, will contribute \$100 for landscaping.

Ms. Homburg stated that the Stone Bridge Park boulder should be leveled, and the trash can should be moved away from the sign and boulder.

### **New Business**

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6.B. Report on Landmarks Book Sales at Monona Community Festival.

Mr. Krizmanic said 8 books were sold at the Community Festival and 3 'Making of Monona' books were sold at the Dean House.

6.C. Sale of books at dedication ceremony and at Aldo Leopold Center.

Mr. Krizmanic said the dedication ceremony for the historic marker will be held September 1, 2013 at the Monona Motors site and that an informal celebration of "Founder's Day" will follow at the Aldo Leopold Nature Center. He said that he will bring an easel and poster, as well as a cash box and table to the dedication ceremony.

Mr. Krizmanic said that there is an opportunity to sell books at the Cars of Distinction event prior to the historic marker dedication and at the Aldo Leopold Nature Center following the historic marker dedication and Mr. Nelson said he would help.

There was discussion of better advertising the dedication ceremony.

City Planner Sonja Reichertz said that invitations to the event have been mailed to the dignitaries the Landmarks Commission had discussed.

Ms. Kuzma asked if invitations were sent to the Wisconsin Historical Society. City Planner said she would invite Jim Draeger.

Ms. Homburg asked if the Dane County Historical Society is advertising the dedication. Mr. Krizmanic said he would follow-up with Jerry Remy on this.

**Miscellaneous Business**

The Commission discussed adding a marker at the corner of McKenna Road and Panther Trail at the panther mound. The commission requested that Roland Paul be contacted to potentially fund the installation of a marker.

The Commission also discussed reinstalling markers at the Nichols School, Town Hall, and the Reindahl House.

The Landmarks Commission said that the next meeting will be Tuesday September 10, 2013.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ms. Homburg and seconded by Ms. Kuzma to adjourn. The motion carried.



5:00pm.