

WINNESHIEK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes of the Winneshiek County Historic Preservation Commission August 13, 2016 at the Old Winneshiek County Jail.

Present: Dave Stanley, Kim Glock, LaVonne Sharp, Roger Bergan, Ferneva Brimacomb, Dennis Karlsbrotten, Steve Johnson, Terri Mozzone and Elizabeth Lorentzen, John Beard.

Steve opened the meeting with a review of the last meeting's minutes. Ferneva moved to approve the minutes and LaVonne seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

Elizabeth presented the treasurer's report. Kim moved to approve the report and Dave seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

John presented the latest information from the Board of Supervisors. Although not directly related to historic preservation he noted that Camp Tahigwa near Dorchester was up for sale and that there is interest from both the DNR and the Natural Heritage Foundation.

The next topic focused on the Highlandville School project. Since the Commission received a HRDP grant to assist with the maintenance and restoration project there was concern regarding lead based paint. Steve and Kim discussed this issue with a representative from the State Historical Society who said that issue would not affect our project because it did not pertain to schoolhouses. The general consensus was that the school should be tested for lead based paint regardless. Kim and Terri volunteered to pursue that.

Elizabeth suggested that we have cards printed up with a drawing by one of her students of the Highland School. These could be used for invitations to the fundraiser dance and also for thank you notes to donors. It was decided that the Commission would have 100 cards printed.

The next topic was the Bluffton House and the DNR's response to the Commission comments regard the memorandum of agreement that was being developed between the DNR and the SHPO. The Commission's two main concerns remain the minimum bid for the structure and the need for an intensive archeological survey. Dave offered to put together a response to the DNR.

The discussion shifted to the next meeting which will be in Ossian. Ferneva arranged to have the meeting at Carl Schroder's residence and it will be scheduled at 9 AM.

Ferneva, Roger, LaVonne, and Steve will attend the Preservation Iowa conference in Davenport the second weekend in September. Attendance at this conference is a requirement for HPCs.

Dave moved to approve expenses for the attendees. Kim seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The meet adjourned at 10:00 AM.