

WINNESHIEK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
May 13, 2023

The Winneshiek County Historic Preservation Commission met at the Winneshiek County Courthouse Annex with the following members present: Don Arendt, Roger Bergan, Ferneva Brimacomb, Ashley Christensen, Zach Fromm, Kim Glock, Steve Johnson, Steve Kelsay (via phone), Elizabeth Lorentzen and LaVonne Sharp. Members of the public included: Jeff Getchell and Janelle Pavlovec.

Minutes of the March 11, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Sharp moved and Glock seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Arendt presented the Treasurer's Report. An ending checking account balance of \$15,867.70 was reported. Glock moved and Bergan seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Steve Kelsay, Winneshiek County Board of Supervisor's Liaison representative, had no report to share.

Under Old Business, Johnson reported on the Mill Survey and Booklet. Arendt moved and Sharp seconded to proceed with the 68-page publication option with Johnson Printing. Motion carried. Glock moved and Christensen seconded to proceed with issuing a check of \$250 to Charlie Langton for proofing and editing of the booklet. Motion carried. Johnson noted that Shay Gooder with Bear Creek Archeology will be presenting at our June WCHPC meeting.

Johnson reported on the Smith Memorial Hospital National Register nomination project. The second and final payment to Rebecca Conard has been submitted to the County. Johnson and Christensen are working on completing the final reporting.

Under New Business, Johnson reported that the annual allocation of \$2,600 was approved by the Board of Supervisors. A portion of the allocation will support our upcoming barn survey project.

Johnson reported that \$1,000 will be contributed to the barn survey project by the Hotel/Motel Marketing Committee.

Johnson brought up the suggestion of a WCHPC banner for use at events; he will research pricing.

Johnson reported that the WCHPC will be sharing a booth with the Winneshiek County Historical Society at the fair this summer. Sharp moved and Fromm seconded to proceed with issuing a check of \$85 to the Winneshiek County Historical Society to cover the cost of one table. Motion carried.

Johnson reported on the SHPO National Register Conference. SHPO is suggesting an October conference, with an end time of 3pm. Ideas for presenters include: Rebecca Conard, Linderbaum/Palmer Barn and the Smith Memorial Hospital.

Johnson and Fromm reported on the St. George Town and Mill Project. The hope is to collaborate with students and local partners. More information will be shared as plans are formed.

Johnson introduced Jeff Getchell, who provided the WCHPC with a walk-through of the new format for the Treasurer's Report. Getchell worked with Johnson and Arendt on the update.

Additionally, Johnson and Kelsay thanked those who participated in the Proclamation photo earlier in the week. Johnson also noted he sent a thank you letter to the County School Association of America and a letter to the National Czech and Slovak Museum showing support for Spillville to become a "sister city".

Comments from the public included information regarding the train depot building in Calmar.

Next meeting date will be at 8:30am on June 10, 2023 at the Winneshiek County Courthouse Annex.

Moved by Glock, seconded by Sharp to adjourn. Motion carried.