

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)

July 12, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Present: Stephen G. Schraufnagel, Jeff Muse, Megan McBride, Elizabeth Madsen-Genzler, and Magge Ericson

Absent: Joan Haukaas and Allan Smiles

Called to Order: 5:00 P.M. Adjourned 5:35 P.M.

Location: GoToMeeting / Online Meeting

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Minutes: A motion to approve the March 1, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Magge Ericson and seconded by Elizabeth Franek. **Motion carried.**

Public Input (five minutes max): No comments at this time.

Old Business

Megan McBride gave us an update on the Main Street Program, along with several other ongoing projects.

It was **NOTED** that the property at 509 – 515 Main Street West was not listed locally as a historic property. But as this project moves forward, then it certainly should be added to the local listing.

Megan McBride gave us an update on the City of Ashland's downtown property sales/leases activity over the past few months. We discussed the former Union National Bank building and the repointing and painting of the Ashland Bottle Works building. (Is this building designated locally?)

The Fifield Avenue grant will be submitted to the State of Wisconsin by September, 2021. We should hear on the outcome by December, 2021.

New Business

Certificates of Appropriateness: None at this time.

Update on Plaques and their Placement in the Community: For the record, all the plaques and fasteners are now being stored in City Hall. There are about 12 plaques in inventory.

Announcements/Reports/Comments/Questions: The following items were discussed:

1. **UPDATE:** Megan McBride will issue a new plaque for her (Magge Ericson) historic house on Fifield Row. This will be done on July 16, 2021. **A photo will be taken and put in the Ashland Daily Press.**
2. The new demolition ordinance has been submitted to the full City Council for their review and approval.

3. Remember...our new contact with the Wisconsin Historical Society is Jason Tish.
4. Consideration for future Historic Listings in the City of Ashland (COA):
 - a. The property at 509-515 Main Street West (D'Anna Zakovec, Owner)
 - b. SOO Line Depot and the Ashland Bottle Works building – Megan to check on if they are presently listed.
 - c. St. Andrew's Building (former church), now Cathedral Nails.
 - d. Former Hank Martinsen Jr. house on Chapple Avenue (across from Wilmarth Mansion)
 - e. Chapple Avenue Condo buildings – just the former Depot, not any other new buildings on site.
 - f. All area churches should be considered, such as Saron Lutheran, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, etc.
 - g. City of Ashland Housing Authority (Bay Tower)
 - h. Ashland Elks Lodge #137

Set Future Meeting Dates: The next HPC meeting is set for September 27, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. The upcoming meeting dates are as follows:

December 6, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers

February 28, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers

A motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Jeff Muse at 5:35 P.M. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Madsen-Genzler. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Schraufnagel, Architect
Chairman of the City of Ashland
Historic Preservation Commission