

MUSCATINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

November 27, 2023

Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Members present: Fred Galoso, Chris Post, Moriah Ellis, and Jim Hetzler

Members absent: Mary Beveridge

Staff present: April Limburg

Others present: Lynn Pruitt, Devin Pettit, and Chris Hetzler

2. Consent Agenda

Approval of the minutes from October 16, 2023 – Fred made a motion to approve the draft minute after including information about the Preserve Iowa Summit 2025 being included in the CLG grant application. Moriah seconded; motion passed.

3. Comments from Citizens – Devin Pettit was present to observe

4. Review List of Issued Permits –

October

- 101 W Mississippi Dr – 2 car garage construction
- 225 Iowa – floor sink install

5. Update from Meeting with County Historic Preservation

- a. **Preserve Iowa Summit** – Fred gave an overview with the conference call between the HPC and the County HP along with Allison from SHPO. Fred discussed the volunteer hours, budget, how the County will be involved.

****Preserve Iowa Summit 2024 will be in Mount Pleasant June 6-8, 2024****

- b. **Update on CLG Application** – The Commission discussed the locations of the underground railroad with the possibility of 2 new locations. The overall goal is to complete a comprehensive study and uncover more details in to who was involved with the underground railroad, owners of property, connections to Muscatine, and so forth. The study will be an education piece to assist with the HPC goal of education. The consultant will write the report summary, do the survey, and delicate what is needed to be done. Jim will be the grant project manager and Fred will be the Summit project manager is awarded the grant and Summit. The County HP will assist as needed. Fred made a motion to submit the CLG grant application along with hosting the Preserve Iowa Summit. Jim seconded; motion passed.

Jim made a motion to have the Friends Group provide the cash match for the grant and hosting the Summit. Lynn seconded; motion passed.

6. Other Business – Paul Bruhn Subgrants – Staff gave an update in about the Paul Bruhn grant in regards to it being in the beginning stages of how the grant will work and the staff is working on the subgrant information and application. Staff also went over the approval process for applications.

Staff was asked to looking to the opening and closing of the HRDP grant cycle. The HRDP grant would help to preserve the windows at the Greenwood Cemetery if the Commission decided to apply for it in the future.

Council agenda for December 7th will have the authorization to apply for the CLG grant and to host the Preserve Iowa Summit in 2025.

There will not be a meeting in December. If there are updates and corrections to be made on the CLG grant, this will be done via email as the final submittal date is December 15th.

7. Adjourn – Adjourned at 6:45 pm, the next meeting will be January 22, 2024 at 5:15 pm