EAU CLAIRE LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Meeting of October 5, 2015

Members Present: Katrinka Bourne, Dave Strobel, Ken Ziehr, Carrie Ronnander, Brady Foust

Members Absent: John Mann, Jane Seymour Kunick

Minutes: The minutes of the September 1, 2015, meeting were approved as written

The meeting was chaired by Katrinka Bourne and called to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. <u>Discussion of CLG Grant Project.</u> The Commission discussed the CLG Grant Project and possible buildings that they would have the consultant evaluate their eligibility for the National Register. The grant calls for up to five buildings to be evaluated. The buildings discussed included: 204 East Grand Avenue, 1107 Graham Avenue, 604 Fifth Avenue, 130 South Barstow Street, 315 South Barstow Street, 401 South Barstow Street, 412 South Barstow Street, and 1620 Ohm Avenue. Pat Ivory noted that he had discussed the status of 204 East Grand Avenue with the consultant and the consultant indicated that in their preliminary opinion should be eligible for the National Register and that the Commission possibly would not have to include this property as one of the five buildings to be evaluated.

Pat reminded the Commission that their next meeting would be on Tuesday, November 3rd and that the consultant would be present.

ACTION TAKEN:

Brady Foust moved to recommend the following buildings to the consultant for evaluation: 204 East Grand Avenue, 1107 Graham Avenue, 604 Fifth Avenue, 315 South Barstow Street, and 1620 Ohm Avenue. Ken Ziehr seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

Brady Foust moved to recommend 130 South Barstow Street also as a building to be evaluated. Carrie Ronnander seconded the motion. The motion carried with Dave Strobel abstaining.

It was the consensus of the Commission that if a determination of eligibility was necessary for 204 East Grand Avenue, that 1107 Graham Avenue would be the sixth building to be evaluated.

2. <u>Discussion on Landmark Tour Booklet Update.</u> Pat Ivory provided the Commission with an update of the Landmark Tour Booklet. Nicholas Kayser, a student intern working on the project, also provided an overview of his work that included photographing the buildings and writing narratives for the new properties.

3. Update on Landmark Activities and Properties, including:

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- **A. 1004 Menomonie Street.** The Commission was informed that Mr. Rolbiecki had been in contact with the City's zoning officials about the possibility of changing the zoning of the property and a re-use of the building.
- **B. Historic Building Contractor Survey.** Pat Ivory updated the Commission on the historic building contractor survey. He noted that approximately 56 questionnaires had been returned. He would begin tabulating them as time permits.
- C. 204 East Grand Avenue. The Commission was informed that the new owner of the building indicated an interest in determining whether the building would be eligible for the National Register. Pat noted that he had been in contact with the consultant about the status of the building.
- **D. 1300 First Avenue.** Pat Ivory informed the Commission that he had contacted the owners of 1300 First Avenue, the former Eau Claire Vocational School, now the Biscuit Loft Apartments. The building was recently placed on the National Register and the owners indicated that they would support having the building placed on the local register.
 - **ACTION TAKEN:** Ken Ziehr moved to have staff initiate the process to add the building to the local register. Brady Foust seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.
- **E.** Commission Membership of 2016. The Commission discussed their membership for 2016 noting that Katrinka and Carrie's second terms expire at the end of the year. It was suggested that Bill Anderson be contacted to see if he might be interested in serving on the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Jane Seymour Kunick, Secretary