



**Landmarks Commission
Minutes
August 1, 2022**

Members Present: Dave Barnes, Jenny Ebert, Jeremy Gragert, Greg Kocken

Members Absent: Raivo Balciunas, John Mann, Rick Schemm

Staff Present: Ned Noel, Claire Lovelace

The following items were on the agenda:

- 1. Call to order**
The meeting was chaired by Vice Chair Ebert and called to order at 4:30 p.m.
- 2. Roll call**
Roll was taken and the required quorum was present.
- 3. Introduction of Council Member**
City councilor Jeremy Gragert was introduced.
- 4. Approval of 2/7/22 Minutes**
Mr. Kocken moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Barnes and the motion carried. Mr. Gragert abstained.
- 5. Open public comment period**
No one spoke.
- 6. Certificate of Appropriateness – 420 Fourth Ave.**
The owner decided to replace the existing cedar shake roofing in areas needed most. No action was required with using matching cedar shakes instead of asphalt shingles.
- 7. Local Landmark Request Consideration – 426 Summit Ave.**
The draft Brink-Morrill nomination form was reviewed. Sharon Hildebrand provided background material on the house she owns. The commission was supportive of adding the Hildebrand name, with John Hildebrand a recognized regional author and Sharon serving on the commission in years past. Mr. Kocken moved to forward the nomination onto public hearing. Seconded by Mr. Gragert and the motion carried.
- 8. Certified Local Governments Grant (CGL) Letter of Intent**
Staff shared a draft scope of work for a CGL grant to create a GIS story map of historic properties. The information could also be used on mobile phones, tours and in classes. It was suggested to add endangered properties. The commission was supportive of filing a letter of intent to fund the work.
- 9. Forest Hill Cemetery Research Update**
Mr. Kocken provided an update on the project with Chippewa Valley Museum who is supporting a future book highlighting its design and graves. With the research, the cemetery could be designated locally and perhaps nationally.

10. Education Update

An official list of designated properties has been updated and posted on the City's website. Work continues on updated property and district maps and finding the best legal form to record evidence of landmarking.

11. Other business agenda items

None.

12. Future agenda items and announcements

There will be a landmarks program presentation at the Third Ward Neighborhood Association's annual meeting on September 14th. All other active neighborhood associations were invited to learn about the City's program.

The commission was supportive to update the High Bridge documentation so as to seek national register status. The review was postponed due to emergency structural repairs and they have now been completed.

The Waldemar Ager Museum is working with the City to locate a donated Stabbur storehouse.

13. Adjournment

Mr. Barnes moved to adjourn at 5:33 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Gragert and the motioned carried.

Submitted by,



Rick Schemm, Secretary