

HISTORIC SITES PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Friday, June 4, 2010

Administrative Center, Room B390

9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Twinde-Javner, H. King Holley, Barb Kooiman (ex officio), Anne Loomis, Beverly Mach, Harriet Schuppel, Kent Sween

MEMBERS EXCUSED: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Margaret Norden

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vicki Twinde-Javner called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

CONDUCT APPLICANT INTERVIEWS AND APPROVE A HISTORIAN TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON NOMINATION OF OEHLER FARM TO THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Historian proposals and resumes were provided to the committee for review in their agenda packets. The committee conducted interviews of the three candidates. Chair Twinde-Javner noted that each candidate was asked the same questions. Consideration of candidate qualifications followed. The item was then referred to the end of the agenda for further discussion, and the committee proceeded with its regular agenda. NOTE: Committee ex-officio member Barb Kooiman was not present for the other interviews, committee discussion, or approval.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 7, 2010

MOTION by Mach/Holley to approve the Minutes of May 7, 2010. **Motion carried unanimously.**

UPDATE ON DESIGNATION OF PALMER LEWIS OCTAGON HOUSE AS A HISTORIC SITE IN LA CROSSE COUNTY

Vicki has discussed a Resolution with Corporation Counsel, and expects it to be completed for the July, 2010, meeting.

UPDATE ON DESIGNATION OF WRIGHT FARM AS A LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORIC SITE

Vicki will follow up with the Finance Department regarding funds for a plaque.

CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORIC SITES PRESERVATION GRANT

Grant applications were received from five organizations:

- Onalaska Area Historical Society for accession and maintenance of textiles from Mary Jane Skaff Estate
- Preservation Alliance of La Crosse for Christianson Log Cabin acquisition and relocation
- West Salem Historical Society for painting of the exterior of the Palmer/Lewis Octagon Home museum/tourist center
- Friends of McGilvray Road for printing of 5,000 brochures
- Bangor Area Historical Society for a new furnace in the First Baptist Church

Information was provided in advance with agenda packets. Discussion was held regarding each project. **MOTION** by Holley/Sween to approve \$500 for the Onalaska Area Historical Society and \$500 for the West Salem Historical Society. **Motion carried unanimously.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The printing budget will be added. The agenda items from the May, 2010, agenda will remain.

NEXT MEETING

July 2, 2010

CONDUCT APPLICANT INTERVIEWS AND APPROVE A HISTORIAN TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON NOMINATION OF OEHLER FARM TO THE NATIONAL REGISTER, CONTINUED

Discussion continued regarding candidate qualifications, experience with National Register nominations, and particularly nominations of rural properties. NOTE: Committee ex-officio member Barb Kooiman was not present for the other interviews, committee discussion, or approval. **MOTION** by Holley/Loomis to approve Tim Heggland to conduct research on the nomination of the Oehler Farm to the National Register. **Motion carried 4-1-1.** Sween opposed; Twinde-Javner abstained.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Schuppel/Holley to Adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Approved, August 6, 2010, Margaret Norden, Recorder