

City of Neillsville
Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm.
City Hall – 106 W Division St, Neillsville WI

Meeting Called to Order by Chair Natalie Erpenbach at 6:00 pm.

On Roll Call: Natalie Erpenbach, Jeff Kluckhohn, David Harnisch and Nicole Keller present. Barb Miller, Dan Clough and Julie Simek were absent. A quorum was deemed present.

Erpenbach noted that Old Business was now Item #7, New Business was now Item #8 and Adjournment was Item #9. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Kluckhohn and seconded by Keller. Voice vote, all aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Kluckhohn and seconded by Keller to approve the April 19, 2023, minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Meeting. Voice vote, all aye, motion carried.
There were no Citizen appearances.

Certificate of Appropriateness 2023-1 for 411 State Street was presented and reviewed.

Motion by Harnisch and second by Kluckhohn to approve as presented. Voice vote, all aye, motion carried.

HPC Grant Application #2023-1 for 411 State Street in the amount of \$652 was presented and reviewed.

Motion by Keller and second by Kluckhohn to approve HPC Grant - 50% of cost (\$326). Voice vote, all aye, motion carried.

There were no Certificates for Demolishing a Historic Structure received or reviewed.

Old Business

Erpenbach noted that she needs to call a meeting of the ad hoc City Theme Committee. Representation from Beautification, HPC, Planning and City Departments have been determined. Discussion points include possible murals and themes for the City and the Downtown Historic Districts. Discussed inclusion of additional stakeholders (CART, Neillsville Improvement Corporation and Neillsville Area Chamber of Commerce).

The August HPC meeting will be held downtown Neillsville to begin the survey of needs in both Downtown Historic Districts in preparation for potential future grant applications. Photos will be taken, and property owners will be included in discussions.

Discussed status of the new Self-Guided Cemetery Tour in coordination with the 1897 Clark County Jail Museum. Erpenbach showed example of website link using QRCode for the "Founders Cemetery Tour". Harnisch and Shirley Anderson are helping finalize the material. Erpenbach was unable to complete the launch of the website before Heritage Days but will continue to work on completing the project.

No discussion or action on brochures or list of historic properties.

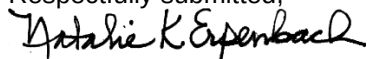
New Business

Erpenbach will update the 2023 HPC Action Plan to move items to 2024 (i.e communication with area real estate agents, bankers and insurance agents in Neillsville area to educate them about options and responsibilities of historic property owners, possible educational presentations and meeting with historic property owners.)

No other correspondence / comments received since the last HPC meeting. There were no new invoices to be paid from HPC Funds.

Motion to adjourn by Kluckhohn and seconded by Keller. Voice vote, all aye, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Natalie Erpenbach, Recording Secretary.