

KALAMAZOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

CITY HALL – 3rd Floor Conference Room

MEETING NOTES - Tuesday, April 8, 2014 – 7:00pm

- I. Call to Order – 7:02 pm**
- II. Approval of Absences:** Lynn Stevens – unexcused absence
- III. Approval of Agenda:** DK/CA
- IV. Introduction of Guests:** Pam O’Connor and Norman Jung
- V. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items* & Correspondence**
 - a. Michigan Historical Center and the *Story of Where* app **(ITEM A)** Pam discussed the project to have Michigan sites online through the Michigan Historical Center. They are looking for people to verify all the information about Kalamazoo. Pam asked David Benac if some of his students might be interested in helping. Pam feels this is still a beta project and may not be ready for a while yet.
- VI. Financial Report**
 - a. City (Steppenwolf) **(ITEM B)**
- VII. Action and Discussion Items**
 - a. Work Plan Reports from Team Leaders
 - i. Designation (D) – Aardema Curt recapped the Washington Square National Register nomination and the difficulty of getting a response from the Land Bank.
 - ii. Sustainability (SU) – Stevens (Hidden Kalamazoo)
 - iii. Preservation Month (PM) – Holewinski Add Woodward staff and principals to notification of Award. We will also look at having the students be part of the ceremony – possibly writing an essay about why they love their school.
 - iv. Iannelli Fountain (IF) – Brose David Benac and Brose have completed a case study for the education committee – Jeff Chamberlain took the report and said he had met with the diversity people from the community foundation. They are interested in adding more diversity. KCF & Jeff will meet on April 21 for a general meeting and on the 23rd for specifics.

Pam – grants and gifts: Pam is exploring whether Pfizer will match gifts made to the city by current and former Pfizer employees. MCACA through MEDC – Fountain qualifies as a “facility” and could be the recipient of a grant.
 - v. Operations (O) – Wright – Chris had lunch with Laura Lam on Monday – 2 key impressions – no longer a Goal to disband the HPC as a private, independent non-profit.
 - vi. Sites (SI) – Aardema – Curt sent a note to the principal at Lincoln to discuss the historic presentation he has prepared.
- VIII. Old/New Business**
 - a. Elect officers – Chris Wright – chair, Curt Aardema – vice chair TH/DBenac passed unanimously
 - b. Review and approve awards (In mailed packet) Pam wanted to nominate Scott Trilby for preservation of his house. Commission approved as presented TH/CA Passed unanimously
 - c. Bellevue Place (added) CA Discussion of the proposed purchase by WMU of 10 houses in the South Street – Vine Area Local Historic District
- IX. Approval of meeting notes:** March 11, 2014 **(ITEM C)** DBrose/CA Passed unanimously
- X. Correspondence - none**
- XI. Coordinators Reports on non-agenda items** Coordinator’s Report **(ITEM D)** No comments
- XII. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items***
- XIII. Commissioner Comments**

Adjourn 9:04 PM