

KALAMAZOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

CITY HALL – 3rd Floor Conference Room

Tuesday, July 8, 2014 – 7:00pm

I. Call to Order – 7:03 pm

II. Approval of Absences:

III. Approval of Agenda: (Add – Letter to Congress about saving the Federal tax credit) DBr/DBe

IV. Introduction of Guests: Norman Jung, Pam O'Connor and commissioner Jack Urban

V. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items*& Correspondence -

VI. Financial Report

a. City (Steppenwolf) **No report this month – revisions underway.**

VII. Action and Discussion Items

a. Work Plan Reports from Team Leaders

i. Designation (D) – Aardema

East Campus and East Hall National Register listing. A large portion of North Hall is gone and the wings of East Hall are gutted. Discussion of the timing for asking the National Register of Historic Places to modify the current listing of the East Campus NR district and the individual listing of East Hall to determine if there has been a substantial loss of integrity.

ii. Sustainability (SU) – Stevens (Hidden Kalamazoo) Hidden Kalamazoo Tour raised \$10,500 gross and \$9000-9500 net. The committee is looking into sites for next year – preferably at least 5 new sites. The decision will be made by Thanksgiving whether to have a tour next year.

iii. Preservation Month (PM) – Holewinski

iv. Iannelli Fountain (IF) – Brose

1. David Brose has written a report about the Gun Lake Band and the reservation boundary markers – including interactive markers that would tie into a more comprehensive history. (1827 Chicago Treaty.) with markers at the four corners that might be tied into a master history and also accessible from Bronson Park.
2. Still looking for a group to accept our donations
3. The Fountain committee is looking at the possibility of dividing the fundraising. The first part would be for the fountain itself and meet the expectations and conditions of the Jeffris grant. The second part of the fountain plan fundraising might join with the new Bronson Park Master Plan to raise funds together.
4. 3 meetings – 1- staff only with Fountain committee; 2 - campaign planning committee (with major donors/advisors) 3 - with core committee
5. The fountain committee does not yet have a fiduciary. MHPN has agreed to be our fiduciary agent for the fountain restoration (but not the entire park master plan unless the plan preserves the historic character of the National Register listed Bronson Park.)
6. Pam asks for authorization to have a high resolution scan made of the newly purchased Iannelli drawing (David Brose will send Pam contact info for WMU Digitized geography unit Greg Anderson - 387-3405 – perhaps these folks could scan for no cost)

**DBr/LS - Move up to \$250 for high-resolution scan and resealing the frames.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

v. Operations (O) – Wright

vi. Sites (SI) – Aardema - Curt reported on the meeting with the principal at Lincoln.

VIII. Old/New Business

a. Discussion of Reservation Boundary marker project (Brose) (See VII.a. iv.1 above)

- b. Report on Hidden Kalamazoo Tour – preliminary plans for 2015 (Stevens, Holewinski, Wright, Ferraro) **(ITEM A)** (See VII. A. 1 above)
- c. Coordinator requests approval for HPC to reimburse the cost of gas and tolls for her trip to NAPC conference July 17-20 in Philadelphia PA **(ITEM B)**
DBe/TH Approve up to \$300 – passed unanimously.
- d. Meeting in August. Discussion of whether there may be issues about the Fountain that would require HPC action in the next 8 weeks. (Until the regular September meeting) Comm. Urban advises considering a recommendation to the city administration to combine the Bronson Park master plan and the fountain fundraising committee.
- e. Discussion of updating Work Plan (Wright)
Commission feels updates to the work plan are better pursued in the winter.
- f. **Letter to Congress about saving the Federal tax credit (added 7/8/14) MI has been identified as one of 6 states that it is important to support retaining the RITC. (Can the city commission pass a resolution in support of the RITC – what did we do for the MI tax credit?) How quickly can we get it on the city commission agenda for the July 21st meeting. Pam will get a resolution to the coordinator by the end of the week**

IX. **Approval of meeting notes:** June 10, 2014 **(ITEM C)** CA/CW – approved unanimously as presented.

X. **Correspondence -**

XI. **Coordinators Reports on non-agenda items** Coordinator's Report **(ITEM D)**
a. Second Quarter Report on Section 106 reviews **(ITEM E)**

XII. **Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items*** Pam – on October 11, MHPN is moving its annual fundraiser to the Tibbetts Opera House in Coldwater. HPC members are invited to attend. This is the first time MHPN has moved this far from southeast Michigan!

XIII. **Commissioner Comments**

Adjourn 9:00 PM