

# KALAMAZOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## MEETING NOTES

CITY HALL – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room  
Tuesday, September 9, 2014 – 7:00pm

- I. Call to Order – 7:12 pm
- II. Approval of Absences: none
- III. Approval of Agenda: no changes
- IV. Introduction of Guests: Norman Jung
- V. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items\* & Correspondence: Washington Writers Academy (KPS) and the Gospel Mission building addition
- VI. Financial Report
  - a. City (Steppenwolf)
- VII. Action and Discussion Items
  - a. Work Plan Reports from Team Leaders
    - i. Designation (D) – Aardema
    - ii. Sustainability (SU) – Stevens
      1. Hidden Kalamazoo 2015 –register a domain name - Hidden Kalamazoo?
        - I. To increase our visibility and thereby reach more potential tourists, the Hidden Kalamazoo Tour needs its own website. Committee members are seeking free web design and set-up services, but we need to pay to get a domain name and web hosting. More details at the HPC meeting.
        - II. David Kohrman has run websites and would be willing to be web kahuna but not until after the end of the year – Dot.easy David Kohrman **LS/DBr Propose allocating \$200 for a Hidden Kalamazoo website and domain names .com and .org. Passed unanimously**
      2. Tour 2016 (FLW paired with Iannelli exhibit) Discussion
        - I. Wright houses on Taliesin, Dow on Dover, Dow church, Nelson-Kirkpatrick house. Commission interested in exploring this plan. Chris also suggests contacting new crop of Wright house owners in Parkwyn.
    - iii. Preservation Month (PM) – Holewinski (No report)
    - iv. Iannelli Fountain (IF) – Brose – Education component with Gun Lake Band, KVM and WMU Public History Program. Very exciting possibilities in the reservation boundary marker program. (As part of a broader approach in re-engaging the community in learning more about its diversity.) Our fundraiser has had health problems and been minimally involved, but will be back soon. The committee is asking potential donors to “pledge” funds while the Bronson Park Master Plan is done. When the plan is done – assuming that the fountain and pool are included and rehabilitated – we will launch an energetic fund-raising campaign. The sidewalk grid was designed by a city engineer not by Iannelli. SHPO would like to see an application for a CLG grant.  
Software – Next Exit History (Benac) for smart phone – based on where you are – free software takes people to a website that ties into the site. Good for inclusiveness – each group (Gun Lake Band, LGBT, African American, etc can all have their stories.) We provide content. (\$1800 to set up w 5-10 sites) [Who owns the content?]
    - v. Operations (O) – Wright – Chris will organize preparing the O’Connor Fund appeal working with Pam – ideally late October.
    - vi. Sites (SI) – Aardema – Washington Square.

**VIII. Old/New Business**

- a. Proposal for HPC to support MHPN Fundraising as a sponsor of the fall benefit. (O'Connor)  
**CA/CW move to contribute \$250 to Fall MHPN Benefit Passed unanimously**
- b. Begin planning for 2015 budget – Chris & Curt after figures are confirmed by Karleen.

**IX. Approval of meeting notes:** August 12, 2014 **CA/DBe approved as presented. Passed**

**X. Correspondence**

**XI. Coordinators Reports on non-agenda items** Coordinator's Report

**XII. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items\***

**XIII. Commissioner Comments**

**Adjourn 8:58 PM**