

KALAMAZOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

CITY HALL – Community Room – 2nd floor

(Moved from 3rd floor conference room because electrical upgrades were being done on the 3rd floor.)

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 – 7:00pm

MEETING NOTES

I. Call to Order – 7:00 pm

II. Approval of Absences:

III. Approval of Agenda: Add DDRC, Bronson Park Master plan public input meeting at City Commission 01/20

IV. Introduction of Guests: Rebekah Kik, City Planner, Norman Jung and Pam O'Connor Rebekah introduced herself, architecture degree from Andrews University, Notre Dame for urban planning. Worked in Denver, CO and Orlando FL.

V. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items*& Correspondence no comments

VI. Financial Report

- a. City (Dix) (New budget report – Marci Dix will be with us at the END of the February meeting to review the new report) Many questions – encouraged to bring their questions to the February meeting.)

VII. Action and Discussion Items

- a. Work Plan Reports from Team Leaders
 - i. Designation (D) – Aardema
 - ii. Sustainability (SU) – Stevens – Add Civic Theater & Iannelli Fountain to tour – can we staff the fountain? Yes – The Gun Lake Band may also be interested in being part of the tour. Tony will contact Lori Moore about announcing the tour sites and publicizing the HP awards nominations.
 - iii. Preservation Month (PM) – Holewinski (No report) Sharon will send out announcements for the Preservation Awards.
 - iv. Iannelli Fountain (IF) – Brose
 1. Park ownership communication – the lease has been extended for a year. Rebekah says she thinks the county wants to let the park revert to the city. Discussion of asking the county to *donate* the park to the city as a match for the city commitment and the other fundraising.
 2. David Brose - KCF was very pleased by the plans for the education committee. Asked about the involvement of the Gun Lake Band and John Shagonaby assured KCF that this was the way they wanted to proceed. Roxanna Duntly-Matos of WMU School of Social Work. She wants her students, who are enthusiastic in educating people – applied anthropology. David Brose and David Benac both feel that the obstacles have been cleared for the Foundation. Pam and David need to set up a meeting to work out the details of the fund and fiduciary responsibility.
 3. Pam O'Connor reported on last Friday's meeting of the fountain steering committee. Fundraising planning and fundraising will restart when the city Bronson Park Master Plan process is complete in April.
 - v. Operations (O) – Wright - Add election of officers and revision of the Work Plan to the February agenda.
 - vi. Sites (SI) – Aardema - Discussed the new Washington Writers Academy. Edison may be next on the list for changes. HPC should concentrate on Lincoln

VIII. Old/New Business

- a. Retroactive approval for:
 - i. Gift of one Iannelli book to Arcus Fdn plus postage reimbursement to P. O'Connor (\$33.84).
 - ii. Purchase of shipping boxes for orders to Barnes & Noble. One pack of 25 boxes of the right size for about \$50 from Office Depot (reimburse to P. O'Connor \$42.52)
- CA/TH Approve reimbursement for both items – approved unanimously.**

- b. Bronson Park Master Plan Public Input Session – Jan 10, 2014 – An excellent planning session, well attended with lots of public input. Probably 60 or more.
- c. Gibson Smokestack – A lively discussion of the historic importance of the Gibson smokestack and the proposed deconstruction.

IX. **Approval of meeting notes:** November 10, 2014 (Monday because of Veterans Day holiday on 11/11. No meeting in December) **Approved as presented**

X. Correspondence

XI. Coordinators Reports on non-agenda items

- a. Coordinator's Report - **no comments**
- b. Section 106 4th quarter 2014 report – **No comments**
- c. Section 106, presentation at meeting of four buildings proposed for demolition with Federal funds:
 - i. 815 South Rose – *Strong candidate for infill. Approve. How will the demolition be done? Will the back yard be filled in?*
 - ii. 1107 Clinton - *Now represents an opportunity for a homeowner. The house should be retained and sold to a homeowner. The loss of this house could destabilize these two blocks.*
 - iii. 916 Hays Park – *The Land Bank should continue to hold this property. Need more information on structural issues.*
 - iv. 1301 Cameron - *Materials should be salvaged if possible.*

XII. Citizen Comments on NON-agenda items*

XIII. Commissioner Comments

Adjourn 9:35 PM