

Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2022

Members Present: Rob Kuhlman, Sam Temple, Ron Dwyer, Karl Vohs, Cori Weems and Chair Sauer

Members Absent: Lee Nordmeyer

Staff Present: Peter Waldock, Kari Casper

1. Call to Order

Chair Sauer called the meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Chair Sauer asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Temple made the motion, seconded by Weems. Motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

2. Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2022.

A motion was made by Temple, seconded by Dwyer to approve with changes the April 21, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

3. General Heritage Preservation Items

A. Citizen Comment Period – None.

B. Section 106 Review - Sakatah Singing Hills Trail Improvements

Following Waldock's presentation a motion was made by Temple, seconded by Vohs that the HPC concurs with the State's finding that the proposed accessibility improvements to the Sakatah Singing Hills State Trail will not have an adverse impact on historical or cultural resources in affected areas of the Trail. Motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

A second motion on this subject was made by Weems, seconded by Dwyer to request that the entire railroad corridor from Red Wing, through Faribault and Rice County to Mankato has historic significance for the City and Rice County, and therefore the Commission seeks to work with the Minnesota DNR and the Rice County Historical Society to promote the history of the area along the trail and inform the public (trail users) of the historic and cultural significance of this area as presented. Motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

C. Heritage Preservation Commission By-Laws Update

At last month's meeting, the Heritage Preservation Commission asked for an additional section be added to the agenda format discussed in the By-Laws. The HPC approved the addition of (6) "Other Items" in Section 6 Proceedings on page 2 of the By-Laws. The

commissioners asked that the updated by-laws be brought back at the next meeting with this change.

A motion was made by Temple, seconded by Vohs to approve the proposed update to the HPC by-Laws Section 6. Motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

4. Design Reviews

A. Facade Restoration and Tuck Pointing - Cry Baby Craig's - 405 Central Avenue

Cry Baby Craig's building at 405 Central Ave. suffered wind damage in March that blew off the metal facade panels. The owners would like to, remove the wood framing that was used to hold the metal panels and then repair the original brick facade. The brick facade will need repointing and the spandrel glass / sign board area will need to be addressed.

After much discussion, the HPC decided that they would allow the owners to come back with a design for the transom area. A motion was made by Dwyer seconded by Vohs for this action. Motion carried unanimously.

My interpretation is that the HPC did not approve a Certificate of Appropriateness following this discussion and it will have to come back at the next meeting.

5. Items of Discussion

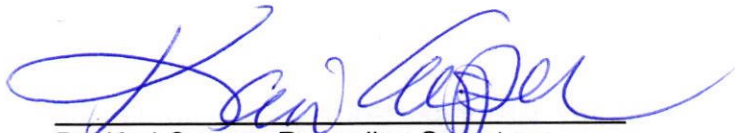
Dwyer reminded that Farmer Seed will come back to the HPC for design review of new place. Vohs and Dwyer gave a short presentation on their RETHOS seminar they recently attended. Vohs brought up the DIG group and that a plan will be revealed soon.

After much discussion about the HPC awards, the board decided to conduct a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 to put a plan in place.

6. Adjourn

A motion was brought by Commissioner Temple and seconded by Commissioner Weems to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


By: Kari Casper, Recording Secretary