

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

The Menomonie Historic Preservation Commission held its February, 2015, meeting on February 9, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Members present: Tom Twohig, Ryland Erdman, and Josh Risler. Also present: Brenna Long, Maria Lewis and Ken Schofield.

The January 12, 2015, minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

There were no Certificate of Appropriateness/Sign Approval applications presented for consideration.

Ms. Long introduced Maria Lewis, a University of Wisconsin-Stout honors student, regarding her honors program publication entitled "Menomonie, WI: Quiet Beauty Revealed Through a Lens". Ms. Lewis indicated that she had a number of copies of her publication printed at her expense and has been selling them herself. She indicated that she has sold 85 copies already. There have been two printings of 80 and 75 copies respectively. It has cost her \$8.50 per copy and she is selling the publications at \$12.00 per copy. Ms. Lewis was asking whether or not there may be some grant available from the Historic Preservation Commission to help her with the printing costs or other assistance regarding the sale of her publication. Mr. Schofield purchased a copy to be donated by him to the public library. Ms. Long purchased a copy for her personal records. It was suggested that Ms. Lewis contact Wilson Place, Mabel Tainter and/or the Dunn County Historical Society to see if they would be a place of sale of the publication. Because of the number of Commission members not present at this meeting, a decision regarding financial or other assistance by the Historical Preservation Commission will be postponed until the March 9, 2015, Commission meeting.

For the reasons noted in the previous paragraph, a decision regarding the bronze plaques for downtown buildings will also be postponed until the March 9, 2015, Commission meeting.

Ms. Long provided information to the Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto, regarding the application of Menomonie's Main Street Program to become a part of the Wisconsin Economic Development Commission's State Main Street Program. It would appear that WEDC is very interested in Menomonie making application. Support from both the City Council and the Historic Preservation Commission will be sought by the Main Street board. A formal letter of support will be presented for Commission consideration at the March 9, 2015, meeting.

The next Historic Preservation Commission meeting shall be held on March 9, 2015, at City Hall at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth E. Schofield
Recording Secretary