

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

The Menomonie Historic Preservation Commission held its February, 2016, meeting on February 8, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Members present: Josh Risler, Ryland Erdman, Peggy Terry, Tom Twohig and Melissa Kneeland. Also present: Darrek Orwig and Ken Schofield.

The minutes from the two (2) January, 2016 meetings (January 11 and January 25) of the Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

Mr. Orwig showed Monte Burstad's bronze sign that will be erected by Mr. Burstad in the near future for the property located at 420 Main Street.

Mr. Orwig indicated that other than the Burstad approved application there has only been one other application approved and/or made: the old Schutte and Quilling Bank Building located at 630 South Broadway.

Mr. Orwig indicated that he would e-mail or send postcards to downtown owners in the near future to remind them of the bronze plaque program.

There was one (1) Certificate of Appropriateness/Sign Approval application presented. The application was from John Hansen for Heroes Welcome located at 424 Main Street.

It was decided to not render the decision on the application because of a concern that the sign would not be in compliance with City Code regulations. Mr. Schofield indicated that he would send a letter to the applicant indicating that before the Historic Preservation Commission made a decision on the application, that it would need to receive notice of approval by the City Building Inspector's office that the sign would be in compliance with the City of Menomonie's City Code.

Mr. Orwig will be e-mailing to the members of the Commission information regarding possible methods for obtaining funding to rehabilitate downtown buildings. This will be a decision for the Common Council to render as to whether or not the City should involve itself in these possible programs or methods of obtaining funding. Mr. Orwig will be forwarding the same documentation, then, to City administration and planners.

The next Historic Preservation Commission meeting shall be held on March 14, 2016, at City Hall at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth E. Schofield
Recording Secretary