

Muscatine County Historical Preservation Commission
OFFICIAL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at noon

Via Zoom using the following link

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12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CDT)

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Order of Business: Koellner called to order at 12.02P

Roll Call Commissioners Present: Koellner, Daufeldt, Pruitt, Furlong, Collins, and joining later Beveridge at 12:20. Absent: Allgood, Ochiltree, Bosten

Guest: Sandy Steven

1. November 2020 meeting was not official due to last minute change venue. Actions required from the November meeting.

- a. Review October 2020 meeting minutes (distributed with November agenda) (Daufeldt) Action required.

Furlong moved to approve both October and November 2020 minutes, 2nd by Puritt with all present (Koellner, Daufeldt, Pruitt, Furlong, and Collins) voting to approve.

- b. Reaffirm decision to not oppose the placement and construction of a communications tower on US -6 and Mohawk Ave, Moscow, IA. Action required. Moved by Daufeldt to approve seconded by Furlong with all Ayes.
2. Treasurer Report (Allgood) No report given.
3. Meeting reviews by members since last meeting other than covered below (All)
4. Update on Status, discussion and possible action of Historic Jail Museum/Archive potential grants and fund-raising – awaiting funding by State through CLG Grant – end of ~~October~~December. (Update – discussion with Lisa Wertzbaugher, grant writer) – Did State approve the CLG grant? (information only) Keeping on the agenda There was no status update and none expected until 1st Quarter of 2021.

5. Update Field Services Grant completed for Historic neighborhoods in West Liberty and Wilton — No meetings occurred this month. Koellner discussion with Leah Rogers report. (information only)
6. Discussion of CLG Grant for County Schools and Churches.
 - a. Status of volunteer's field review of townships of Sweetland and Montpelier by Leah Rogers. (Daufeldt) (information only)
Daufeldt reported that these were the last two townships which completes the reconnaissance of all 14 townships.
 - b. Report from Commissioners on status of intensive surveys of churches and schools from historic documents in the townships and uploading to Google Drive provided by Leah Rogers. (All)
All commissioners need to make sure that they are uploading the information to the folders on the Google Doc. The root directory for the process is township folders, sub folders for each school and church in the township. There is also a photo plate folder for photos. The same root directory order applies for photos.... Township and sub folders for each school and church.
7. Any Status change on NRHP for Nichols Historic Commercial District decision with National Park Service— Letter ~~sent by~~not yet received from National Park Service to Jennifer Price/Pruitt/City of Nichols. (Pruitt) ~~Still waiting on word from Price.~~
 - a. Update on Field Services Report on Nichols Saint Mary's Church. Status of Jennifer Price, consultant on contract completion. (Pruitt) Further Action may be required. No action taken. Still waiting on word from Price.
 - b. Report on Benjamin Nichols home for NSR by consultant (Pruitt) Action may be needed. No action taken. Waiting for proposal from Price and possible HRDP grant application.
 - c. Plaque for Nichols District, presentation to council, newspaper (Index, Journal, et. al) – time and location plus commissioners for presentation (Pruitt) (time of presentation and plaque preparation approval by commission TBD) No action taken. Still waiting on letter from Fed.
8. Update of discussion on historic building(s) and grounds at Fairport State Fish Hatchery including discussions with DNR. Pruitt/Stevens
 - a. Friends group established (Stevens, Pruitt) The Friends of the Fish Hatchery was established with the help of Pruitt, Stevens, and Paul Carroll.
 - b. National Historic Register – letter from McCarley- see ELIGIBILITY REVIEW NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES (SHPO) (Pruitt/Stevens) IDNR possible decision? There has been no decision by IDNR about the kind of commemoration there will be to make up for the demolition of the pumphouse. Part of the discussion centered around information kiosks, walking trails with information markers, signage for the site. Possible incorporation of the brick, roof, and materials salvaged

from the demo to use in the construction historic tribute to the uses of the site. May also include the dormitories and other building with some history on the WWII POW camp.

~~i. Progress of gazebo and historic info at Fish Hatchery? (Pruitt)~~

~~10-9.~~ HRDP Grants – Spring – (Board member and Wertzbaugher) – (ongoing info)

~~11-10.~~ Update County website with all Historic locations in County – map and website. (Daufeldt)

a. Sample of Greene County map and tourist info (included with agenda for your info only)

~~12-11.~~ 2020 Annual report to State of Iowa (Pruitt) Pruitt reported that he has written the annual report and it will be reviewed by other Commissioners and then submitted to the Board of Supervisors in Jan 2021 for submission in February 2021 to the State office.

~~13-12.~~ 2021 MCHPC work plan (Pruitt/Koellner) – Action in January.

~~14-13.~~ Slate of officers for 2021 for MCHPC – (Pruitt/Daufeldt) – Daufeldt submitted the slate of officers for 2021... Koellner Chair, Pruitt Vice Chair, Daufeldt Secretary, and Allgood Treasurer and moved close the nominations, Beveridge 2nd and officers for 2021 were approved as submitted.

Training (Every Commissioner is required to take training annually) Lynn Pruitt will guide us today. I have attached the training materials. Please print them off. Preserve Iowa Summit – Handout materials provided – (Lynn Pruitt, Trainer) – 40 minutes required

Training was provided by Pruitt following the outline attached to the agenda. The commissioners that were not present should be able to review the document and review the training.

Upcoming meetings

- a. Nichols city leaders on location of plaque for NHR
- b. Fund raising committee for Historic Jail
- c. City of West Liberty leaders for potential historic districts and preparation of

CLG

- d. Commissioners/surveyors complete travel to Country Schools and Churches with Leah Rogers for details on site. Complete.
- e. Meetings with IDNR/McCarley on Fish Hatchery project. TBD

3. Open Discussion - None

4. Confirm next meeting date and location – **January 13, 2021 – zoom platform**

Attachment: Commission Training



2020 Iowa Historic
Preservation Summit