

**Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commission  
OFFICIAL PUBLIC AND MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**12 noon, Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

**At Muscatine County Administration Center, Supervisors Meeting Rm  
Muscatine, IA 52761**

**Members in attendance (X-present, E-excused)**

Lynn Pruitt	X	John Kiwala	X
Becky Furlong	X	Joe Harper	X
Bill Koellner	E	Rebecca Bovenmyer	X
Mary Beveridge	E		
Becky Allgood	E		
Ken Snyder	E		

Also present was Kala Naber, Muscatine County Budget Administrator; Jennifer Price, Price Preservation Research; and Jeanne Shelangoski, local resident.

**Meeting called to order at noon pm by President Furlong.**

- A. Approval Agenda – Approved (Harper/Kiwala)
- B. Approval of January 17, 2024 Minutes – Approved (Harper/Kiwala)
- C. Receipt of Financial Reports – Approved (Harper/Kiwala)

**Old Business:**

- A. No known applications have been made to fill the two empty seats of the Commission.
- B. **Country Schools & Churches Project** – Furlong is still following up on the 4 missing signs. Pruitt displayed the County webpage with a link to our Historic Resources page on MAGIC which is currently available to the public.
- C. **HRDP 2023 Grant Update for Wilton Historic Neighborhoods survey** – Bovenmyer reported that this project is moving right along with library research and photography.
- D. **Fairport Fish Hatchery Update** – Pruitt reported that there will be a fish fry money maker June 14 and an April 22 Earth Day celebration unveiling new educational displays.
- E. **Future Meeting Dates** – Future meeting dates for the Commission were set for 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays. – Approved (Harper/Kiwala)
- F. **Historic Documents** – Pruitt reported that he had picked up two historic photographs from a contributor in Ames/Boone.

**New Business:**

- A. **Transportation Project** – Historian Jennifer Price reported she had finished 6 site forms and is working to complete a total of 20. She provided interesting information on the Mississippi Courts which are currently owned by Jeanne Shelangoski (who also provided additional information). Price has deleted the Cranston Depot since there was no substantiating information for it. She needs additional photos of the Airport hangars and the Cedar River bridge remains at the west end of River Street in Moscow.
- B. **2024 CLG Status** – no report to date

- C. **2024 HRDP Grant application** – The grant application has not yet been posted. Pruitt reminded the meeting of three options: Fruit and Vegetable Industry (if not selected for CLG grant), nomination for extant country schools and churches, and nomination of West Liberty historic neighborhoods.
- D. **Iowa Preservation Summit June 6-8, 2024**–Members were encourage to attend the State’s Preservation Iowa Summit in Mt. Pleasant. Funds are available to support attendance.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 @ noon at Muscatine County Administration Center

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Lynn Pruitt, Vice Chair

Minutes Approved Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_