

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

12 noon, Tuesday, June 18, 2024

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

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

Lynn Pruitt	X	John Kiwala	U
Becky Furlong	X	Joe Harper	U
Bill Koellner	X	Rebecca Bovenmyer	E
Mary Beveridge	E	Doug Conklin	X
Becky Allgood	X	Nathan Sneath	X
Ken Snyder	X		

Also present was Kala Naber, Muscatine County Budget Administrator.

Meeting called to order at noon pm by President Furlong

- A. Approval Agenda – Approved (Sneath/Allgood)
- B. Approval of May 21, 2024 Minutes – Approved (Koellner/Pruitt)
- C. Receipt of Financial Reports – Approved (Snyder/Pruitt)

Old Business:

- A. **Country Schools & Churches Project** –Furlong is working on getting the final two signs put in for Melpine School and Sunnyside School. Furlong has someone to place the Melpine School sign and will send the location information to Allgood and she will call a contact in Durant.
- B. **HRDP 2023 Grant Update for Wilton Historic Neighborhoods survey** – Allgood reported that the Wilton CLG made final revisions and sent them to Historian Ray Werner. He will submit the final draft by the end of this month. There were 106 homes in this two neighborhood survey.
- C. **West Liberty Historic Neighborhood project** – Koellner reported that they have \$5,000 from the City of West Liberty and are waiting to see which grant to work on for this project. There are 175 homes in three neighborhoods in this project. He was waiting to hear from SHPO to find out which grant (HRDP or CLG) to apply for on this project.
- D. **Fairport Fish Hatchery Update** – Pruitt reported that they a Fish Fry Fundraiser on June 14. They have completed the Pavilion exhibits and they are paid for just waiting to complete the construction of the Pavilion. DNR has asked them for formal set of drawings before they approve this project.

New Business:

- A. **Transportation Project** – Koellner reported that Historian Jennifer Price presented the proposed first draft of this project and he has asked this commission to review it and send in your edits. He also reminded everyone to get to him your volunteer hours for this project. Discussion was held on giving the historian more time to complete this project because of it's length.

It was moved by Pruitt and seconded by Snyder to give Historian Jennifer Price a 30 day extension on this project. MC

- B. 2024 CLG Status** – John Kiwala will be the project manager for the Muscatine County Fruit and Vegetable Project which we received the CLG Grant for. Pruitt reported that Historian Jennifer Price’s bid was approved for this project at the Special Meeting held on June 5, 2024.
- C. Go to Meeting Report-** Sneath reported that everything is set up on the computer to provide a platform for online meetings.
- D. Iowa Preservation Summit at Mount Pleasant** – Pruitt reported that it was a successful Iowa Preservation Summit. He reminded everyone that next year’s Summit will be in Muscatine, and it is usually the first week of June. Pruitt, Sneath attended each day of the summit and Allgood attended on Saturday, June 8.
- E. Muscatine County Heritage Association Annual Meeting report** – Koellner reported that he attended this meeting and that Master Gardeners organization play a big part in this organization. He did report that the Excursion boats to local historic and cultural sites were very well attended.
- F. Muscatine County Fair-** the MCPC members discussed being a presence at the Muscatine County Fair. Furlong said she would call the Fair Board to see if we could get a table inside Heritage Hall.

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

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Becky Allgood, Secretary/Treasurer

Minutes Approved Date: ____/____/____ by: _____