

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

12 noon, Tuesday, August 20 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	X	Rebecca Bovenmyer	
Mary Beveridge	X	Doug Conklin	E
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 (Harper/Pruitt)
- B. Approval of July 16, 2024 Minutes – Approved (Harper/Pruitt)
- C. Approval of August 13, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes- Approved (Harper/Pruitt)
- D. Receipt of Financial Reports – Approved (Snyder/Koellner)

Old Business:

- A. **HRDP 2023 Grant Update for Wilton Historic Neighborhoods survey** – Allgood reported that they were still waiting for the final determination from SHIPO.
- B. **Fairport Fish Hatchery Update** – Pruitt reported that they were starting this week on the pavilion.
- C. **Transportation Grant/Project** – Koellner reported that final documents of this project were delivered to County Board and will be posted on our website. It was decided to put the other three final copies of this project, one each to Muscatine, West Liberty and Wilton Public Libraries. A discussion was held on putting this material into one book and making up book copies of this project and Pruitt said he would check on the cost of doing this and report back.
- D. **Relocating records from West Liberty Library** – Furlong reported that Wilton Library agreed to take the records pertaining to their area and the Muscatine Library will take the rest.
- E. **Muscatine County Fair** – Furlong thanked everyone who helped work the fair booth reporting that we sold six Historic Schools and Churches books. To-Date, we have sold 192 books.
- F. **GO-TO Meeting** – Sneath announced to get to GO-TO-Meeting online meeting app we should download the free app on our cell phones and reference your emails. Sneath told the group that he would send us an email with directions on how to use this app.

New Business:

- A. CLG Fruit and Vegetable Industry Update** – Kiwala and Pruitt reported that they are just getting started with this project. Kiwala will explore the possibility of a townhall type meeting in Fruitland, possibly at the Shell Station.
- B. 2025 Summitt hosting with the City HPC** – Pruitt reported that a meeting with Allison from SHPO is scheduled in Muscatine for October. More to come.
 - a. Underground railroad survey** – Pruitt reported that the City has engaged Spark Consulting for the Underground Railroad project. The City will let us know when the project kickoff is scheduled and how the County is to be involved.
- C. 2025 CLG Grant Submission for West Liberty Historic Grant** – Koellner reported that he has been working with Allison from the State CLG office on the CLG Grant and she sent back corrections. He will need to get a letter of submittal from the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors next Monday. The grant is due on September 3, 2024.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 @ noon at Muscatine County Administration Center

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Becky Allgood, Secretary/Treasurer

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