

Minutes Landmarks Commission Meeting September 4, 2024

Members Present: Lowell Prill, Gordan Kinder, Ron Larson, John Wells, Kathy Krusiec

Staff Present: Andrew Bremer, Kong Thao

1. CALL TO ORDER

Lowell called the Landmarks Commission meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

None received virtually and in-person.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. Kinder motioned to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2024, Landmarks Commission meeting. Seconded by Wells. Motioned carried 5-0.

4. BUSINESS.

- a. Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding submittal of a grant application to the Wisconsin Historical society to complete a historical property survey of the Village.

Thao provided summary on the agenda item and background on the grant opportunity. Bremer provided additional comments on the grant application timeline and next steps if awarded. The Commission discussed, if awarded, the timeline of the grant application process and the role the Commission will partake during the survey process.

Kinder motioned to make a recommendation to the Village Board to submit a grant application to the Wisconsin Historical Society to complete a historical property survey of the Village. Larson seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0. Commission requested to review final grant application prior to submittal.

- b. Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve a purchase order for outdoor community history signs at Arnold Larson Park.

Samantha Zeilenga, representative from Indigenous Solidarity Collective of McFarland (ISCM), provided appreciation on the planning and drafting process associated with Sign 2: Native Americans. Zeilenga commented their contact for

the Ho-Chunk Nation and will share with Village Staff. Bremer and Thao provided summary of the agenda item with the recent updates, mockups, sign texts, and Sign 2, Native American, project timeline, installation plan and edits. Bremer explained the available three options the Commission can take to move ahead with completion of the project as provided in the packet, assuming approval by the Village Board. Staff did not have a preference for any of the three options presented. The Commission discussed the current mockups, progression of the project, available options staff presented. Kinder motioned to recommend approval of the purchase order for the four signs with a condition of approval for Staff to revise the sign as needed based on input from the Ho-Chunk Nation regarding Sign 2: Native Americans. Staff will wait to order all four signs until we have received feedback from Ho-Chunk Nation and revise the sign as needed. Krusiec seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. To be determined.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Krusiec motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Kinder. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:38 PM.