

**Columbus Historic Landmarks and Preservation Commission  
Regular Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, February 13, 2020 - 6:00 PM  
Columbus Public Works Office  
229 E. School St.**

**Attendees:**

**Carolyn Fredericks      Beth Altschwager      Retta Kurth      Ruth Hermanson      Eric  
Lukasavitz      John Salzwedel      Andy Traxler – Liaison, Mayor Michael Thom, Joe DeRose**

- 1. Call meeting to order:** Carolyn Fredericks
- 2. Properly posted meeting:** Check
- 3. Citizen comments on agenda items:** None
- 4. Approve Agenda:** Motion: Altschwager; Second: Kurth; Motion carried
- 5. Approve minutes from January 9, 2020 meeting:** Motion: Salzwedel; Second: Lukasavitz; Motion carried.
- 6. Approve minutes from the February 1, 2020 meeting:** Motion: Altschwager; Second: Lukasavitz; Motion carried.
- 7. Approve Minutes of January 28, 2019:** Correction to read Mayor “Michael” Thom. Motion: Altschwager; Second: Salzwedel; Motion carried.
- 8. Treasurer Report-Attached:** Motion: Kurth; Second: Salzwedel; Motion carried.
- 7. Old Business:**
  - A. Summer Concert Series – 2020:**
    - 1) June Band:** Hermanson contacted Bob Agnew (“Bob & Todd”) and will follow up. Salzwedel made a motion to contract with “Bob & Todd” for ‘60’s – ‘90’s music for June at a rate not to exceed \$600. Altschwager seconded it. Motion carried.
    - 2) Vendor Agreements signed from food and beverage vendors:** Noted. Altschwager contacted Family Restaurant for June and will offer a contract.
    - 3) Business list:** Hermanson & Fredericks will combine lists and submit them to Lukasavitz.
    - 4) Timeline foe letter to go out. Would Eric be interested in taking this over?** Lukasavitz will work with Bobby Turner in sending out emails and working on setting up an email address for CHLPC.
  - B. Pavilion projects/lplanning meeting – Thursday, February 27, 2020 @ 4:00 p.m. at Kurth Brewery.** Noted.

**8, New Business:**

**A. Guest – Joe De Rose discussion on the HLPC ordinance review process:**

Joe DeRose, WI State Historical Society’s Survey Historian in the Historic Preservation division, met to answer questions and provide information on making modifications to the city ordinances as they pertain to the historic landmarks and their preservation.

- 1) Columbus has been listed as a Certified Local Government since 1992 and has received grants over the years. It was noted that an annual report (form available on line) should be submitted.
- 2) Designated municipal buildings, historic homes and structures, and landmarks should all be noted at the County Register of Deeds at City expense. The Commission will research the archives for verification of designation of historic districts, residences, and structures.
- 3) DeRose agreed that it would be advantageous to have an architect or contractor, a liason or council member, and in some cases, even an archaeologist serving on the Commission. However, in small cities it is not always practical.
- 3) DeRose confirmed that the ordinances currently in place are well defined.
- 4) Plus/minus for listed properties: The Commission has the option to accept or deny a request for rescission. An appeal process goes to City Council, and falls under Zoning codes.
- 5) New Richmond city attorney Noah Wiedenfeld may be a resource person is researching City or CHLPC loans or grants as incentives for rehabbing historic properties.

**B. Ad Hoc Committee meetings:** Next meeting: March 24, 2020 @ 6:30 @ City Hall.

**C. Bills:** None

**D. Window Restoration project – vote on additional windows to be done by Community Building & Restoration:** Following discussion, Salzwedel made a motion to secure the work for 7 additional windows from the 11/21/19 bid and 2 additional windows (now vented) for \$12,810 out of the Pavilion Fund. Hermanson seconded it. Motion carried.

**E: CHLPC’s own Employer’s Identification Number (EIN) – discussion from Kim Manley & Paul Johnson:** Tabled

**F. Historical Society Soup Luncheon – Sunday, February 23, 2020 at the Methodist Church. Serving at 11:30, with Chief Randy Koehn giving a presentation on the history of the Columbus Fire Department at 1:00.** - Noted.

**9. Council Liaison Report:** Comments made under “New Business: A.”

**10. Adjourn:** Motion: Altschwager; Second: Salzwedel; Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Retta Kurth, Sec.