

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Time and Date: The Plan Commission met on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Maple Room of Wausau City Hall.

Members Present: Gary Gisselman, Dave Oberbeck, Christine Martens, Brian Mason, Steve Miller.

Members Not Present: Linda Tryczak, Kevin Crooks, Mary Forer, Patrick Bacher.

Staff Present: Samantha Kulig

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and transmitted to the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Chairperson Gary Gisselman called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. noting that a quorum was present.

### **Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes from October 25, 2023.**

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*Motion by Martens and seconded by Miller. Motion approved unanimously 5-0.*

### **Discussion from recent bus tour and ideas for Landmarks and Districts.**

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Christine Martens stated that she enjoyed the bus tour and that maybe for future discuss about River Dr and Barker Stewart Island possibly being a historic site. Martens also if Whitewater Hall, Wausau Wooden Mill can be included into the historic site if it isn't already considered historic.

Chairperson Gisselman responded that we can discuss possible action in a later meeting regarding that.

Brian Mason stated that he was fascinated about Grace United Church of Christ and the old Wausau Brewery building located UWSP's college buildings. Mason asked if East Gate Hall is considered a Landmark.

Chairperson Gisselman will investigate it.

Steve Miller stated he also liked the bus tour. Miller asked if Parcherville is considered a historic district.

Chairperson Gisselman stated it is not.

### **Discussion on Goals for 2024.**

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Mason suggested the idea of a "Home Century Club" or a goal where the Commission can work with locals in providing a plaque stating this home is a century old home.

Other members suggested instead a plaque, maybe a wooden block, emblem, or even a certificate.

Miller stated he liked the idea of a hundred century club.

Mason stated that this is just an idea for a goal and is open to other options regarding this idea.

Chairperson Gisselman stated that we will need some form of application process.

Dave Oberbeck stated that we will also need criteria for applying. For instance, value of history and original intent should be listed as criteria for this "club."

Martens suggested the idea of a bus ride tour again but to view historical churches, manufacturers, and possibly a more in-depth historical tour of the growth expansion of the City of Wausau as whole.

## **Next Meeting Date**

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Next Meeting will be the Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

## **Adjournment**

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*Motion by Martens and seconded by Oberbeck. Motion approved unanimously 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.*

**The Historic Preservation Commission is next scheduled to meet at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.**