



OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Notice is hereby given that the HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION of the City of Wausau, Wisconsin will hold a regular or special meeting on the date, time and location shown below.

Meeting of the: **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU**
Date/Time: **Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 4:00 pm.**
Location: **City Hall (407 Grant Street, Wausau WI 54403) - BIRCH ROOM**
Members: Gary Gisselman (C), Linda Tryczak, Kevin Crooks, Mary Forer, David Oberbeck, Christine Martens, Steve Miller, Brian Mason, Patrick Bacher

AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Approve of the minutes from the March 29, 2023 meeting.
2. Discussion and possible action on educating the public on historic preservation.
3. Discussion and possible action on creating the Grand Avenue Historic District.
4. Discussion of potential landmarks and districts.
5. Next meeting dates and future agenda items for consideration.
6. Adjournment

Gary Gisselman - Committee Chairperson

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Time and Date: Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Birch Room of Wausau City Hall
Members Present: Gary Gisselman, Linda Tryczak, Kevin Crooks, David Oberbeck, Steve Miller
Members Not Present: Mary Forer, Christine Martens, Brian Mason, Patrick Bacher
Others Present: Brad Lenz, Melissa Engen

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 Gisselman called the meeting to order at approximately 4:10 p.m. stating that a quorum was present.

Approval of the minutes from the November 30, 2022, meeting.

Tryczak motioned to approve the minutes from the November 30, 2022, meeting. Miller seconded, and the motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Discussion and possible action on educating the public on historic preservation.

Gisselman said that there will be an article in the next newsletter about preservation of historic properties. Miller asked if a guest article could be written for the local media. Gisselman said a letter to the editor could be done. Crooks suggested that a press release could be done.

Discuss May Preservation Month activities.

Gisselman said that Certificates of Authenticity could be issued for projects that have been completed. This could be completed through the commission or in front of council. Gisselman said that the crystal ballroom at the Landmark is spectacular. Miller agreed that the dining area is amazing. Crooks said that this has been discussed and done previously, but there isn't a formal process.

Oberbeck said that the CVA renovations helped bring the building back to the past. Miller asked if it would be too late to recognize the CVA project. Crooks said that something on paper would be nice. There was discussion on recognition plaques. Lenz said that something could be added to the newsletter to recognize these and stated that the mayor does proclamations and would have a format that could be used.

Oberbeck said that it would be nice to have something permanent that could be framed for buildings that were saved and rehabbed. The commission discussed the CVA, Landmark and Chicago Depot projects that could be recognized.

Discussion of potential landmarks and districts.

Gisselman showed the commission pictures of properties in what could be the Grand Avenue Historic District. Crooks said that the area could qualify and that there are some significant properties. Lenz added that this will be a large map with a lot of properties.

Miller said that the house located at the Wausau Club site was cut in half and moved to 509 and 515 Adams Street. Gisselman said that this was also done to a Clara Byrd house that was partially moved to Fulton Street and Wausau and Center Street.

Next meeting dates and future agenda items for consideration.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2023.

Oberbeck said that the commission could work with the Marathon County Historical Society for an exhibit. Crooks said that it is probably too late for May Preservation Month but could do something anytime. Gisselman suggested that something could be held at the public library. The commission discussed a Facebook page.

Miller said that there will be an open house at John Marshall School on April 15th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Tyczak said that there will be Convention for American Legion hosted this year in Rothschild in Mid-July. Gisselman said that some terms will be ending in April and the mayor's office will be contacting everyone.

Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.