HISTORIC SITES PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Friday, May 6, 2016
Room 3212 County Administrative Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Twinde-Javner, Harriet Schuppel, Anne Loomis, Roger Plesha, Kent Sween, Barb Kooiman
MEMBERS EXCUSED: None
MEMBERS ABSENT: King Holley
OTHERS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chair Vicki Twinde-Javner called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Twinde-Javner welcomed Roger Plesha, the new County Board representative on the Commission and asked him to tell a little bit about his history with the Commission, as he was the founder of it.

Twinde-Javner also reported that mail that was received included a letter indicating that the La Crosse Armory (the current Bakalars building) has been listed on both the National and State Register of Historic Places.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 1, 2016
MOTION by Schuppel/Sween to approve the minutes of April 1, 2016. Motion carried unanimously with one absent - Holley.

PRINTING PROJECT
Discussion ensued about reprinting the brochure from several years ago regarding what the Commission is, how to nominate a property, the nomination process, etc. However, discussion also ensued regarding possibly reprinting the southern, central, and northern surveys of La Crosse County booklet with better scans of the photos. The ones we have are mostly photocopies of photocopies and are poor resolution. This seemed to be the preferred project for the printing project. Twinde-Javner said she would see if there were some original photos in some of the older files she has.

LETTER/VISIT TO TOWN BOARDS REGARDING ORDINANCE
The letters to the town boards still need to be sent out. Twinde-Javner will finish making the approved revisions so they can be mailed.

CLG GRANT AVAILABILITY
As discussed at the last meeting, Twinde-Javner had talked with Joe De Rose at the Wisconsin Historical Society, and Letters of Intent for the CLG grants are due in September. MOTION by Loomis/Schuppel to propose resurveying the central portion of the County, or the river valley, for the grant application. Motion carried unanimously with one absent - Holley. Kooiman and Twinde-Javner will work on a draft Letter of Intent.

DISTRIBUTING FLYERS/BROCHURES
Discussion ensued regarding the best way to distribute some of the back stock of brochures and bookmarks.
POSSIBLE NOMINATIONS

- St. John’s Lutheran Church in Barre Mills
- The Gas Station that was moved to the Middle Ridge School – Loomis will start researching this.
- Presbyterian Church in New Amsterdam – Sween talked to some of the members of the congregation and they asked for a blank nomination form. They will start working on the nomination.
- Camp Decorah (Boy Scout Camp).

Additional possible properties to consider nominating were discussed including Veteran’s Park near West Salem, the Hiram Lovejoy house, and the Big Creek Mill in the northeastern part of the County.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA: NONE

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 6, 2016 – 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURN
MOTION by Loomis/Plesha to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously with one absent-Holley.

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Approved June 3, 2016, Vicki Twinde-Javner, Recorder