

Saundra Leininger called the meeting to order at 10:00am at the Lauvstad Center Conference Room. Present were Saundra Leininger, Nancy Carmichael, Jon Brokaw, Jim Reynolds, Dick Blazek, Linda Sargent, Marti Gebbie, and Beth Waddle. Absent was Joan Haley.

Carmichael moved and Brokaw seconded the approval of the agenda. All Ayes.

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Nancy gave an update on the Widener Building. She shared that the National Park Service Rural Revitalization Grant was denied. Reasons included the Icarian piece did not sufficiently tie to the Widener Building and there was not available funding from other grants. It was mentioned that Mayor Jan Leonard will be adding finishing touches on a Request for Proposal (RFP) of a Community Foundation Grant for this project. Marti also mentioned details of a matching grant as a possibility.

Acknowledgement was given to Saundra and Nancy on the excellent video interview with Jamie McManis for a recent Chamber Live event held at the Queen City Cemetery.

Nancy offered to help Dick complete the May Preservation Display with photos and items from the Williamson area.

Saundra and commissioners briefly reviewed preferred breakout sessions to attend at the Preserve Iowa Summit June 3-5. Of significance is the Friday 1pm session highlighting the survey research completed by Adams and Muscatine counties.

Nancy provided copies of a template for commissioners to get a start writing a script for the video presentation at the Public Meeting of the Survey. Several names were mentioned as possible technical support to help with the video and they will be contacted by commissioners. Also, Jim was asked to assist with Lincoln and Quincy Townships. It was agreed to meet at the Lauvstad Center at 11am on May 25th with the script assignment completed.

Work on the preservation of the Queen City Book will begin at the June 8th CLG meeting to be held at the library.

Nancy discussed ideas for presentations at city councils. She suggested reviewing the CLG monthly agenda and minutes; and have copies of the work plan for each council person. It was also mentioned to inform the city councils that the CLG is available to help them in any way.

In other business, Saundra related that the first workshop on Cemetery Stone Cleaning and Repair will be June 12th. Dennis Allen will bring all the supplies needed and be reimbursed for his costs. Dennis has since responded that four hours would be needed to conduct this workshop. Saundra suggests we hold it from 10am to 2:30pm and ask everyone to bring a

snack lunch. Beth asked about a possible need for a portable toilet, and it was agreed to have one available. Nancy will contact township trustees to evaluate the condition and viability of repair needed at the Castle Cemetery. It was decided Rockdale Cemetery near Carbon would be the backup. A rain date is to be determined.

Marti notified commissioners she is resigning as Main Street Director and will no longer attend the CLG meetings.

Saundra mentioned that Carolyn Engle's name will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors after she has attended a CLG meeting.

Marti shared a scrapbook of Adams County military photos found in the Mort & Irene Miller house. A suggestion was made to photocopy pages for future window displays. The scrapbook will be given to the House of History.

Meeting adjourned at 11:07am.

Respectfully submitted: Jon Brokaw, Secretary