



**CITY OF NEW BERLIN
LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, August 18, 2022
6:30 PM
Council Chambers
3805 S. Casper Drive**

PUBLIC HEARING

LANDMARK PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3820 S WOELFEL RD., NEW BERLIN WI 53146

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of July 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes

TREASURER'S REPORT

COMMUNICATIONS: Chairperson's Report

OLD BUSINESS

2. Update from Eagle Scout prospect Kayden Wilson on proposed project at New Berlin Center Cemetery
3. Property for Landmark consideration: Woelfel Farm House & Barn—Hearing Scheduled for 8/18/22
4. Properties for Landmark consideration as "Informational Markers": Casper Inn/Alida's Asia House; Little Grove; Tacl Roadhouse; Governor Julius Heil home; S. Calhoun Road Site of Round Barn; Lincoln Road; Milwaukee Astronomical Society Observatory, Observatory Rd—(Commissioner Marquardt)
- 5.. Future overview of Landmark procedures following final review of Cultural and Historic Resources Chapter 4, Comprehensive Plan
6. Cultural & Historic Resources Chapter 4, Comprehensive Plan, City of New Berlin: Liaison Kelly W, DCD. Chair DeMoss: status update of revised document with inclusion of Cutler/Kern/Kimball Homestead City of New Berlin Landmark and Arcadian Hills Residential Historic District informational listing; update on success of adding recent pictures, including Little Grove School, Nicolaus Barn and others—Commissioner Warczak

7. Fourth Virtual Historic New Berlin Trivia Challenge to feature the four historic New Berlin Cemeteries (Commissioner Orzel)—status update on Challenge for October, 2022
8. Landmarks Commission to be involved in October 2, 2022 Historical Society Beer Garden Open House event; plan to support the October “Cemetery-themed Trivia” by having cemetery brochures available -Commissioners Tyskiewicz and DeMoss

NEW BUSINESS

9. List of potential upcoming agenda items

NEXT MEETING DATE

10. Discussion on cancelling September 15, 2022, 6:30 pm, Meeting Room A/B, New Berlin City Hall or via Zoom format, due to anticipated absences. Probable next meeting Thursday October 20, 2022

ADJOURN

PLEASE NOTE:

- ✓ It is possible that action will be taken on any of the items on the agenda and that the agenda may be discussed in any order. It is also possible that members of and possible a quorum of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above-stated meeting to gather information; no action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.
- ✓ Also, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, contact City Clerk Rubina R Medina (262) 786-8610.



**CITY OF NEW BERLIN
LANDMARKS COMMISSION - MINUTES
Thursday, July 21, 2022**

Regular Meeting

AB Conference Room

6:00 PM

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Landmarks Commission at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

All votes were taken via a voice roll call vote.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM, (earlier start time to accommodate our "Christmas Gathering" scheduled for this evening), by Chairperson DeMoss.

ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

Present: Chairperson DeMoss, Commissioners Ament, Marquardt, Orzel, Tyskiewicz and Warczak.

Excused: Alderwoman Kroupa, Commissioners Hemmen and Hermann.

Guests: Eagle Scout Kayden Wilson and his father, Darren Fields.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEM: June 16, 2022 Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve the June 16, 2022 Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: **Motion to approve the June 16, 2022 Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes.**

Motion by: Commissioner Warczak
Second by: Commissioner Marquardt

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously**

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. The \$600.00 to cover the Arcadian Hills Residential District signage is being transferred from the Landmarks budget to the Streets Department.
2. Our expenses thus far this year have been \$640.00, (Signage as above, and \$40.00 WAHPC membership).
3. Current balance is \$1360.00.
4. Our budget for 2023 will again be \$2000.00.

5. We may finish this budget year with approximately \$500.00 to return to the City, after the purchase of the biological cleaning solution and safety/cleaning supplies as described under **OLD BUSINESS #2 – EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT.**

OLD BUSINESS

ITEM: Update from Eagle Scout prospect Kayden Wilson on proposed project at New Berlin Center Cemetery

- a. Kayden will clean as many stones as he can, and has rated them in 3 groupings as to which ones need the most attention or not as much attention.
- b. He will not be able to work on the gate arch as it is located near electrical wiring.
- c. Kayden plans to clean the plaques on the mausoleum, but will not work on the areas where the stone is crumbling.
- d. He will check with the local VFW for the availability of veterans plaques.
- e. Kayden will not attempt to straighten any tipped stones.
- f. Commissioner Ament will arrange to have the City bring out picnic tables, a Porta-Potty, any safety and cleaning supplies that they can contribute, and drinking water for the Scouts who are helping.
- g. Time schedule for work will be based on obtaining the D2 Biological Solution from a company in Mukwonago – Chairperson DeMoss to purchase. Commissioner/Treasurer Warczak to confirm company and price paid for the solution for a similar Eagle Scout Project in 2018.

MOTION: Motion to authorize up to \$450.00 for the purchase of the D2 Biological Solution (Two 5-Gallon Pails) and any additional safety/cleaning supplies.

Motion by: Commissioner Ament
Second by: Tyskiewicz Jennifer

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

ITEM: Property for Landmark consideration: Woelfel Farm House & Barn—Hearing Scheduled for 8/18/22

The Public Hearing is scheduled for August 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers, followed by our regularly-scheduled Landmarks Commission meeting.

Chairperson DeMoss received one call from a neighbor of the considered property, wondering if the Landmark designation would in any way impact the sale of nearby land.

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Status Pending**

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Status Pending based on obtaining the electronic copy of the document to submit to DCD Department.

ITEM: Fourth Virtual Historic New Berlin Trivia Challenge to feature the four historic New Berlin Cemeteries (Commissioner Orzel)—planned for October, 2022

- a. Commissioner Orzel will obtain the brochure of cemetery symbols from the New Berlin Historical Society.
- b. Commissioner Warczak will supply photos, as the issue concerning the use of copyrighted photos has not been resolved for Commissioner Orzel by the City.

ITEM: Landmarks Commission to be involved in October 2, 2022 Historical Society Beer Garden Open House event; plan to support the October “Cemetery-themed Trivia” by having cemetery brochures available

Chairperson DeMoss will represent the Landmarks Commission in a booth at the October 2, 2022 Beer Garden at Historical Park. The Virtual Trivia Challenge will be supported by having cemetery brochures available.

ITEM: 2022—Review of draft letter to be sent to current Landmark owners

It was suggested by Chairperson DeMoss that this item be removed from future agendas due to the fact that some homeowners may not want the notoriety. A discussion ensued, with most Commissioners agreeing that, although both ideas had merit, homeowners may be uncomfortable with the “advertising” of their home.

MOTION: Motion to Remove Above Item from Landmarks Agendas.

Motion by: Commissioner Orzel
Second by: Commissioner Ament

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

ITEM: 2022—Plan to feature Landmarks Commission regularly in City of New Berlin “New Berlin Notes.” This is dependent on homeowners agreeing to be featured; City liaison to be verified

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Second by: Commissioner Ament

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ITEM: Delayed Christmas Gathering: July 21, 2022—outdoor venue if possible.

MOTION: Motion to Adjourn to Enjoy the Delayed “Christmas Gathering” at 7:30PM

Motion by: Commissioner Warczak
Second by: Commissioner Ament

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

NEXT MEETING DATE

ITEM: AUGUST 18, 2022 AT 6:30 PM FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON LANDMARKING WOELFEL FARM HOUSE AND BARN, IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FOLLOWED BY THE LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Jennifer Tyskiewicz
Secretary, Landmarks Commission**



September 27, 2022

TO: Common Council
Mayor Ament
Alderwoman Kroupa

FROM: Landmarks Commission

RE: Item from the Landmark Commission Meeting from August 18, 2022 requiring Common Council action.

Property for Landmark consideration: Woelfel Farm House & Barn

Council Motion:

This item was considered at the Landmarks Commission meeting on August 18, 2022. It was recommended to the Common Council on a vote of 7-0. I do hereby move that the Council approve the Landmark Designation for Woelfel Farm House & Barn (known as Imig-Woelfel Farmstead, to include Farmhouse, Barn and Outbuildings.

LANDMARK NOMINATION FORM

Property Address:

3820 S. Woelfel Rd.

Historic and/or Common Name of Property:

Owner of Property: Roger Woelfel

Type of Property: (Circle) Home Barn Structure (Private or Public) Site District

Condition: (Circle) Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Unaltered
Original Site or Moved -- Date of move: _____

Significance -- Period: Prehistoric, 1800-1899 or after 1900
Historic Architectural Agricultural

Statement of Historical Significance:

(See below)

Contact Name Dianne Keller (daughter) Tele. # 262-646-4447

Email address: jr.keller@earthlink.net

The original 60 acres of land has been owned by just two families in over 170 years. It was first purchased by Phillip Imig Sr. in 1850, and then transferred to his son Phillip Imig Jr. in 1856. George Woelfel Jr. and wife Mary (Follman) purchased the property in 1887 and it has substantially remained in the Woelfel family ever since. An additional 40 acres west of Woelfel Rd was added to the farm in about 1918. The house is a classic two story Cream City brick farm house with its original working shutters. The construction date of the house is not known for certain but it may be 1875 based on a decorative date painted on a second floor door. The barn is constructed with hand hewn wood beams and appears much older than the house. It is unknown when the barn was built. The various out buildings are all at least 70 years old or more.

Woelfel Farm House, 3820 S. Woelfel Road

Farm house before front porch is closed in. Photo from about 1923.



Farm house after front porch is closed in. Photo from 1926.



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