



**CITY OF NEW BERLIN
LANDMARKS COMMISSION - MINUTES
Thursday, December 15, 2022**

Regular Meeting

AB Conference Room

6:30 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 – Chairperson DeMoss called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

Present: Chairperson DeMoss, Alderwoman Kroupa, Commissioners Marquardt, Orzel, Tyskiewicz, and our newest Landmarks Commissioner, Sally Kahlfeldt.
Excused: Commissioners Ament, Hemmen and Warczak.

Chairperson DeMoss introduced our newest Landmarks Commissioner, Sally Kahlfeldt, who has filled the vacancy left by the resignation of Commissioner Jackie Hermann. Welcome Sally!

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 17, 2022 Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes.

Motion to approve the November 17, 2022 Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes.

Motion by: Commissioner Marquardt.

Second by: Alderwoman Kroupa.

Motion passed unanimously, with Commissioner Kahlfeldt voting “present,” as she was not yet a member of the Commission at the time of the November meeting.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Given by Chairperson DeMoss due to the excused absence of Commissioner/Treasurer Warczak.

1. Chairperson DeMoss noted that our current balance is \$725.47, after reimbursement of \$56.53 to Chairperson DeMoss for her expenses incurred for the two Recognition Ceremonies, (newest landmark, Woelfel Farmstead and Commissioner Hermann’s “Years of Dedication” recognition) held in October.
2. Approval needed to be given to pay our \$40.00 Membership Fee to WAHPC for 2023.

Motion by: Commissioner Tyskiewicz.

Second by: Commissioner Orzel.

Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS – Chairperson’s Report.

1. Chairperson DeMoss shared a synopsis of an email sent from City Attorney Mark Blum, concerning advice on a possible new landmark. See #8 under OLD BUSINESS.
2. Commissioner Marquardt shared the dates for the Historical Park Open Houses, in order for our Commission to decide whether we will set up a Landmarks booth, as was done for the Open House Beer Garden on October 2, 2022. The dates are: June 18, July 16, September 10 and October 8, 2023.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Update on Eagle Scout Project at New Berlin Center Cemetery – final report given by Eagle Scout Prospect, Kayden Wilson, who was in charge of the project.

- a. Kayden presented laptop photos of the cleaning work done on some 200 gravestones/monuments at this historic cemetery in October/November 2022.
 - b. He described the 3-color flag system that he used to differentiate stones that were apt to be greatly improved with cleaning; stones that could possibly be affected with cleaning, but might be beyond much help due to weather and time; and stones that were crumbling or fallen over that his project could not address.
 - c. Kayden's photos showed the spraying of the stones with Biological Solution D2, the "Water Buffalo," buckets of water and brushes used for scrubbing, and the processes that he and his volunteers used for washing and cleaning the stones.
 - d. Kayden recruited about 25 family members, friends, and fellow scouts who put in 10 + hours of work at the cemetery.
 - e. Notable were the differences in photos of the stones and monuments taken during the cleaning process....and photos taken several weeks later, showing how the Biological Solution works over a period of time to lighten the appearance of the stones. Kayden is pleased with the results and seemed to feel that his project was quite successful.
 - f. Commissioners expressed appreciation for his hard work, and the fact that it definitely was a project that benefitted our city and its landmarks. Chairperson DeMoss signed Kayden's project completion papers, allowing Kayden to move along on his path to becoming an Eagle Scout.
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) **STATUS PENDING**
5. Future overview of Landmark procedures following final review of Cultural and Historic Resources Chapter 4, Comprehensive Plan **STATUS PENDING**
6. Cultural & Historic Resources Chapter 4, Comprehensive Plan, City of New Berlin: Liaison Kelly W, DCD. Chair DeMoss: final review of revised document with inclusion of City of New Berlin Cutler/Kern/Kimball and Imig/Woelfel Landmarks along with Arcadian Hills Residential Historic District informational; to occur when completed document received from DCD **STATUS PENDING**
7. Fifth Virtual Historic New Berlin Trivia Challenge – Commissioner Orzel.
 - a. Commissioner Orzel noted that various ideas for the fifth challenge included "Entertainment in Historic New Berlin." such as the Highway 15 Drive-in, Peck's Dance Hall, or New Berlin Hills Golf Course, or a tie-in with the State of Wisconsin's Historic Preservation Month in May.
 - b. Discussion indicated that another idea had been to highlight the last 5 landmarks that have been designated, and this seemed to be the most popular idea. Commissioner Orzel is asking the Commissioners to each submit several questions to be included in the challenge, which will be featured in May 2023.
8. On the advice of City Attorney Mark Blum, the Landmarks Commission will pursue an Informational Marker consideration for New Berlin Hills Golf Course, through working with the Golf Commission in New Berlin.
9. See Next Meeting Information below.
 NEXT MEETING DATE: NOTE TIME CHANGE: JANUARY 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM to accommodate our post-Christmas gathering to be held at Armeli's Restaurant at 6:30 PM. Chairperson DeMoss will send a reminder around the 10th of January to obtain a

more definite number of those planning to attend. A guest is welcome to attend with each Commissioner.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:48 PM.

Motion by: Alderwoman Kroupa.
Second by: Commissioner Marquardt.
Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Tyskiewicz
Secretary – Landmarks Commission