

MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING
APRIL 18, 2024
CITY HALL
CONFERENCE ROOM A/B

I. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lori Doyle at 6:15 PM.

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

Absent: Alderman La Fever.

II. Declaration of Quorum; Public Notice.

III. Approval of Minutes.

March 21, 2024 Landmarks Commission Minutes.

MOTION: Motion to Approve.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Warczak.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report – Commissioner Warczak – Treasury stands at \$1960.00.

V. Communications – Chairperson Doyle – Newsletter from the Menomonee Falls Historical Society was shared.

VI. OLD BUSINESS – None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS.

A. Discussion and possible vote on replacement of failing Landmark signs and updated wording for cemetery properties.

- 1. Holy Apostles Cemetery –** we will leave it to the sign-printing company to decide if sentences “one” and “two” should be combined for a better look and understanding.

MOTION: Motion to Approve Write -up for Cemetery Signage.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Warczak.
Second by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.

Motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Sunnyside Cemetery –** the number “eighteen” in the fifth paragraph should be changed to “18.”

MOTION: Motion to Approve Write – up for Cemetery Signage.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Warczak.
Second by Commissioner Ament.

Motion passed unanimously.

AMEND MOTION – to change the word “graveyard” to “cemetery” for consistency and more currently-used term.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Warczak.
Second by Commissioner Ament.

Amended motion passed unanimously.

3. German Evangelical Protestant Cemetery.

MOTION: Motion to Approve Write – up for Cemetery Signage.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Orzel.
Second by Commissioner Ament.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. New Berlin Center Cemetery.

TABLE MOTION – pending a rewrite of the write-up.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Orzel.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.

5. Per ensuing discussion:

- a. Cemetery signs will have “New Berlin Landmarks Commission – 2024” as the bottom line of each sign.
- b. Font of signs will be in Block Print Style.

B. Discussion on potential homes and businesses to target for 2024 – 2025 Landmark status.

1. A Letter of Proposal for Landmark Status from 2014 was shared with the Commission. Chairperson Doyle will clarify some of the wording with the City Attorney to bring this letter up-to-date.

2. Suggestions given by Commission Members were:

- a. The Franz House on Pinecrest Lane.
- b. The Torseth House on Prospect Drive.
- c. The Stahl House on Wehr Road.
- d. Fire Station #2 on Sunny Slope Road.
- e. Free Methodist Church on Sunny Slope Road.

VIII. TABLED BUSINESS –

1. Review and approval of updated write-ups for Properties for Landmark consideration as “Informational Markers.”

a -1. Little Grove School – Commissioner Marquardt – **Tabled.**

b -1. Miller Property – Commissioner Ament – **Tabled.**

c -1. New Berlin Soap Box Derby – Commissioner Marquardt – **Tabled.**

d -1. Governor Julius Heil Home.

MOTION: Motion to take “OFF the TABLE” for Discussion.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.
Motion passed unanimously.

- a. Discussion ensued as to if this should be a rewrite or if we should link into the information about this house on the Waukesha County Website of Historic Places.
- b. Commissioner Orzel volunteered to rewrite this description for our City Website.

MOTION: Motion to have Commissioner Orzel rewrite the description of the Julius Heil House for our City Website.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.
Motion passed unanimously.

a -2. Milwaukee Astronomical Society.

MOTION: Motion to take “OFF the TABLE” for Discussion.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Warczak.
Motion passed unanimously.

- a. Discussion ensued as to adding information and photos of this area to our City Website.
- b. It was suggested that the write-up be shared with staff members at the Milwaukee Astronomical Society to verify facts and add additional information if applicable.

b -2. Wisconsin Cheese and Butter Company Building.

MOTION: Motion to take "OFF the TABLE" for Discussion.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.
Motion passed unanimously.

- a. This building has been torn down in the last several years.
- b. The item will need to be removed from the Agenda.

MOTION: Motion to remove Wisconsin Butter and Cheese Building from the Agenda.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.
Motion passed unanimously.

c -2. Site of Round Barn – So. Calhoun Road (Future Autumn Trace Subdivision).

MOTION: Motion to take "OFF the TABLE" for Discussion.
Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Marquardt.
Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion to Approve to Add to City Website.
Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Warczak.
Motion passed unanimously.

d -2. Casper Inn.

MOTION: Motion to take "OFF the TABLE" for Discussion.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.
Motion passed unanimously.

- a. Discussion ensued as to the write-up containing more information than is necessary to describe this historical building adequately.
- b. Various sentences were suggested to be removed, but the Commission feels that they would like to review the rewritten description at the next meeting.

MOTION: Motion to Review the Write-up of the Casper Inn at the Next Meeting.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.
Motion passed unanimously.

- e. Hickory Grove School – Commissioner Orzel – **Tabled.**

2. Discussion on Cultural and Historic Resources Chapter 4 – Status Pending.

IX. NEXT MEETING – June 20, 2024 at 6:00 PM, City Hall Conference Room A/B, (due to insufficient quorum at next scheduled meeting, 5/16/24).

X. ADJOURN at 7:47 PM.

MOTION: Motion to Adjourn.

VOTE: Motion by Commissioner Ament.
Second by Commissioner Tyskiewicz.
Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Tyskiewicz
Landmarks Commission Secretary