# MEETING MINUTES

# CITY OF HIGHLAND HISTORICAL COMMISION

HIGHLAND CITY HALL, 1115 BROADWAY MONDAY, February 22, 2021 6:30PM

DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS THE MEETING WAS CONDUCTED VIA CONFERENCE CALL.

# CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

Officers:	Present	Absent
Jacob W. Rose – Chairperson	X	
Jeff Menz – Secretary	X	
Lynnette Schuepbach	X	
Lynn Hargus	X	
Sara Knobloch	X	

# **MINUTES:**

Motion – Approve Minutes of the November 23, 2020 Historical Commission Meeting

- Motion to accept Lynn Hargus
- Second Lynnette Schuepbach

Motion passed.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

Anyone with anything to address the Historical Commission may do so at this time.

• A member of the public expressed concerns about a property in town. Jacob Rose will look into it.

# **REPORTS:**

- 1) Historic Properties Reports
  - Pet Milk Factory Report
    - Jon Hardy, the building superintendent of Westrock, stated they were holding off on tours until after the COVID-19 pandemic is passed. Reviewed November 23<sup>rd</sup>. No change.
  - Schott Brewery Report
    - o Brewery development/discussions have been paused due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Reviewed November 23<sup>rd</sup>. No change.
  - The Old First National Bank / Chamber Building
    - An appointment was made with an art conservation group out of Chicago to evaluate the old mural inside the building.
    - Members of the Highland Historical Commission and the Highland Historical Society removed the mural as best they could. The mural has sustained damage, and future plans will be made for its restoration.
    - The mural is being kept with the City of Highland in a Parks Department building.

- The mural could be preserved and cared for by the Highland Historical Society.
- Note of discussion: What other items of historical interest are in other town buildings that need to be preserved?
- The developers are going to keep the vault where it is inside the building.
- Latzer Homestead
  - o Forms for application for entry into the National Historic Registry are currently in progress. The submitted Preliminary Evaluation application had been submitted and approved for recommendation for full application by the State Historic Preservation Office.
- 2) Highland Historic Commission Guidelines Manual and Preservation Plan
  - Currently on hold due to COVID-19 pandemic but will be included in the agenda going forward. Reviewed November 23<sup>rd</sup>. No change.
- 3) Landmarks Committee (Commission Auxiliary)
  - An online digital archive of historic buildings, structures, and documents can be developed using an open-source content management system. This would be like what is used by the Missouri State Historical Society.
  - Documents and photos can be digitized and made available for viewing.
  - Several prominent city residents and businesses were listed as potential sources of information of the documents and photos.
  - Local individuals or information services might host the management system.
- 4) Website Historic Commission Page
  - Commission officers encouraged to submit a short biography for the page.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Weinheimer Building Mural
  - The Highland Arts Council has a matching grant proposal from the National Arts Council for mural placement on the west exterior wall of the Weinheimer Building.
  - Awaiting state approval.
- 2) Fundraising.
  - Contact Kelly Korte with the City of Highland for a city form.
  - A letter and a budget along with the city form would be submitted to the city council for funding.
  - Funds would be used for a good book scanner and/or document camera.
- 3) Quarterly report to the city council. These meeting minutes could be posted after approval.

The Highland City Hall is hoping to reopen to the public the first week of March 2021.

Motion to adjourn:

- Motion to accept Lynn Hargus
- Second Sara Knobloch

Motion carried.

Adjournment made at 7:25pm.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

NEXT MEETING DATE – Monday, May 24, 2021 at 6:30pm at Highland City Hall Anyone requiring accommodations, provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), to attend this public meeting, please contact Dylan Stock, ADA Coordinator (654-7115).