



Westfield Historical Commission

Minutes for April 25, 2016

Westfield City Hall / Room 201

Present: Kate Deviny, Carly Bannish, Cindy Gaylord, Walt Fogg, Danny Nason

Public participation:

- None

Secretary's Report:

Carly moved to accept the secretary's report.

Walt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mailings:

- None

Old Business:

- Update on the CPC Meeting: Potential projects are the Athenaeum, and Moseley school. The board members would like to consider more open space projects, especially land around the Wyben School, so it could have a buffer in case someone wants to build. The Hayden property was approved for additional funds - out of un-designated funds. The Old Town hall was approved at \$163,000 (taking out money for the kitchen and not funding the bathroom). The Stowe house chimney restoration was approved .
- OBG Update: Cub Scout Troop 201/Den 2 recently completed a community service project at the OBG, picking up sticks and trash.
- Old Schoolhouse Update: Scott Dunkin, the general contractor who had volunteered to manage the project, has removed himself from the work due to too many commitments. Dick Patterson and Walt had met with Rick Sullivan to discuss how to proceed with the project in terms of funding. Rick suggested a meeting with the mayor. Cindy will arrange that meeting.
- Irving Slavid: Irving has sent a proposal to the commission proposing to level two base units and reset the two Taylor tabletops as well as resetting 5 hazardous and unstable stones. He is available to do this work in July.

New Business:

- OBG Clean-Up Day will be June 4th from 10:00-2:00.



- OBG Open Gate Day will be June 11th from 11:00-2:00.
- Historic District List- Tabled
- Winchell Dam signature: We were requested to sign a document allowing a portion of the Dam to be demolished. We will look into why we received no notice of this before our signature was urgently required.
- Ghost Tours Dates and Prep: Tabled
- Athenaeum Presentation: We have been asked to present at the Athenaeum on July 20th on our current projects and the Whipping Around Westfield Walking and Biking Tour.
- Columbia Greenway Rail Trail Update: Our information has been added to the historical markers signs on the trail, giving the directions for accessing the app for the Whipping Around Westfield Walking and Biking Tour.
- Bullens Field Update: Walt will get the signs from Jim Blascek and will hopefully meet with Cindy and Dan Genovese at the field this upcoming weekend to discuss placement.

Carly moved to adjourn. Kate seconded the motion. Motion passed. We adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Our next meeting is Monday, May 16, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Carly Bannish, Secretary