

Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commission
OFFICIAL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
12 Noon, Wednesday, May 11, 2022
At County Administration Building

Call to Order

Roll Call and Guests

Commissioners: Present-Allgood, Beveridge, Collins, Daufeldt, Furlong, Koellner, Ochiltree, Pruitt, and excused Shoultz. There were no guest or staff in attendance.

Order of Business

- **Approval of Agenda-** -Moved and 2nd -All Ayes
- **Approval of Minutes-** April 13, 2022-Moved and 2nd with Ayes
- **Approval of Financial Reports (CFGM Friends and County)** – Approved for acceptance

Old Business

A. Historic Jail Museum Preservation and Reuse Funding - Pruitt (possible action items)

1. Design Update – Discussion of status of design and presentation to Board of Supervisors by Nolan, Pruitt and Koellner. Nolan had previously provided renderings showing remodeled jail interior.
It was moved and seconded and approved with all Ayes to allow Pruitt to spend up to \$100 for two renderings of the building to use at the May 16th board of supervisors’ meeting and for future use in public awareness about the plans for the building.
2. Friends of the Old Jail fundraising – pledges and income to CFGM – Review of income from letters and personal contacts – Beveridge reported that there were no changes in the fund balance from last month in the community foundation account.
Some discussion took place on other sources of funding (HRDP, CLGs).
3. Other Action items - Marketing promotion – Collins reported filming for the building is next up on the schedule after the city’s churches.
4. HRDP application and approval by MCHPC for Consultant services and approval by Board of Supervisors – Approved by BOS on May2, 2022 was granted. Funding by the county’s ARPA funds is a possibility
5. Discussion took place regarding the possible use of American Recovery (ARPA) second round funds.
6. Historic Iowa marker for Historic Jail – status – Pruitt – Waiting for sign company to produce the historic marker.

B. Rural Schools and Churches CLG grant-Daufeldt – possible action items

1. **Copies sold to date** – **Pruitt** reported there were approximately 90 books sold

2. **Finalization of Beacon Page** – Daufeldt requested all locations on MAGIC map use the icon tip to point the exact location of the historic structures. This gives the exact Global location and also will assist with 811Locator Services when the utilities are contacted before sign installations. The coordinates for 811 use can be found on the MAGIC map editor.
 3. **Marketing and signage of Historic schools and churches update– – Furlong, Daufeldt, Pruitt, Ochiltree and Allgood** Commissioner Pruitt and Tom Furlong installed 11 signs in Pike Township on 5.10.2022. Compliments on a tough job in a heat index of 100 degrees.
 4. **Status of additional Order of signs from Iowa Prison Industries** Pruitt will review the corrections from the remaining township and order signs for the remaining townships.
 5. **Correspondence with landowners – Response from landowners for placement** No discussion comments.
 6. **Presentation to Iowa Summit using Historic Bridge Funds** Pruitt will be presenting the methods used by the Commission to acquire the matching funds for our survey and for the physical signs using the Section 106 program in Mason City.
- C. **Nichols Historic Area Grants – possible action**
1. **Placement of historic district sign** – TBD
 2. **Nichols home contract with consultant** Jennifer Price is contracted consultant. She will be holding a public meeting to allow local citizens of Nichols area to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to gather any photos or additional information on the home.
 3. **St. Mary’s Church – National Park Service designation** Still waiting for NPS approval
- D. **West Liberty Area**
1. **CRI & P Depot – National Park Service Designation** Koellner reported that the announcement is not yet posted on the National Park Service Historic Register.
 2. **Request of property owner at 715 North Calhoun for assistance to put 1915 Stucco home on National Historic Register.** There was discussion regarding the West Liberty Historic Neighborhood and Wilton’s Historic Neighborhoods. If CLG grants are used, the consulting service will need to go out for bids and if HRDP grants are used the HPC would need to select a consultant. Koellner was asked to check with Leah Rogers about the possibility of combining the work in one application.
 3. **Historic Iowa sign at CRI & P Depot** Waiting on the final text approval for the 175th commemorative the plaque.
- E. **Wilton Historic Neighborhoods – Allgood/ Ochiltree – possible action items Buildings or Districts to be nominated in 2022** (see item D.2. above)
- F. **Historic Fairport Fish Hatchery Master Plan -Stevens, Pruitt - possible action items**
1. **Signage – 175th year – approved by State of Iowa - - Stevens (sign order and deliver date)** –Waiting on delivery of the historic marker from the sign company. the Iowa DNR to confirm the signage layout specs for all Trail signs to conform to consistent standards

2. **National Historic Register** – Rebecca McCarley is proceeding with the nomination and will have it completed on schedule.
3. **Pavilion Funding status** – Our involved members plan to visit the site next week and layout the Pavilion location. Still attempting to raise funds which will tie to the funding from the State. ~\$25K

Muscatine County Fair Grounds amphitheater – Koellner/Pruitt an engineering study from Watersmith Engineering was approved by the county board on 5.9.2022 meeting.

G. Potential 2022 work areas TABLED Discussions

1. **Selecting locations for Muscatine County Historic Register and possible signage by townships**
2. **Location of Grange Halls, old Depots, towns no longer in existence in Muscatine County –**
3. **Transportation in Muscatine County - Stagecoach routes, railroads, depots, ferry crossings, early highways (Highway 6 and travel cabins), interurban from Davenport to Muscatine, old rail depots and supporting buildings and businesses. old bridges**
4. **Muscatine County historic businesses**
 - Fruit and Vegetables Industry** – Commissioner Schoultz will do research on information previously compiled.
 - Other businesses which were notable in Muscatine County**
 - Placement on MAGIC other historic locations to include cemeteries**

H. Adjourned at 12:55PM

**I. Next Meeting will be at the Environmental Learning Center in Discover Park
June 8, 2022**

**Attachments: Community Foundation Account Balances Page 4.
County Financial Reports for MCHPC Page 5.**

Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine						
Friends of Historic Jail						
Date	Name	Memo	Donations	Interest	Expenses	BALANCE
2019						
10/9/2019	Comm Foundation	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	25.00			25.00
10/31/2019	James Nepple	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	107.80			132.80
11/14/2019	Paul/Bonnie Reeb	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	15.00			147.80
12/31/2019		<i>Interest-4th Qtr</i>		1.68		149.48
2020						149.48
1/1/2020		<i>Fund Management Fees</i>			(25.00)	124.48
1/29/2020	East IA Light & Power	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	100.00			224.48
3/3/2020	City of Wilton	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	1,000.00			1,224.48
3/31/2020		<i>Interest 1st Qtr</i>		3.30		1,227.78
6/30/2020		<i>Interest 2nd Qtr</i>		3.69		1,231.47
7/1/2020		<i>Fund Management Fees</i>			(25.00)	1,206.47
9/30/2020		<i>Interest 3rd Qtr</i>		2.93		1,209.40
12/31/2020		<i>Interest-4th Qtr</i>		2.94		1,212.34
2021						1,212.34
1/1/2021		<i>Fund Management Fees</i>			(16.67)	1,195.67
3/31/2021		<i>Interest 1st Qtr</i>		1.57		1,197.24
6/30/2021		<i>Interest 2nd Qtr</i>		2.47		1,199.71
7/1/2021		<i>Fund Management Fees</i>			(25.00)	1,174.71
9/30/2021		<i>Interest 3rd Qtr</i>		5.02		1,179.73
11/23/2021	Samuel, Cynthia		500.00			1,679.73
12/20/2021	Beveridge, Martha	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	1,500.00			3,179.73
12/30/2021	Beveridge, Mary	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	1,500.00			4,679.73
12/31/2022	Monsted, Mary	Donation - Historic Jail Revitalization	25.00			4,704.73
12/31/2022	Brady, Jay		50.00			4,754.73
12/31/2022		<i>Interest 4th Qtr</i>		16.69		4,771.42
2022						4,771.42
1/1/2022		<i>Fund Management Fees</i>			(92.41)	4,679.01
1/31/2022		<i>Investment Income(Loss)</i>		(10.08)		4,668.93
2/28/2022		<i>Investment Income(Loss)</i>		6.81		4,675.74
3/7/2022	Fokken, Michael		87.50			4,763.24
3/31/2022		<i>Interest 4th Qtr</i>		(1.37)		4,761.87
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