

Dubuque County Historic Preservation Commission (DCHPC)
Thursday 4 August 2022 via Zoom

Historic Preservation Members (by term expiration date) Present:

31 Dec 23 Patricia J. Baum (Dubuque)	31 Dec 22 Mary Goebel (Guttenberg)
31 Dec 24 Chris Soeder (Dubuque)	31 Dec 23 R.R.S. Stewart (Dubuque)
31 Dec 22 David Vanderah (Peosta)	
<u>Absent:</u> 31 Dec 22 Jason Neises (Mud Lake)	31 Dec 23, Sandra Larson (Bellevue)

Chair Stewart called the meeting to order at 3:33pm on 4 August 2022.

The August agenda and June 2022 minutes were approved as submitted.

Documentation of avoidance and protection measures for historic and archeological sites along the Cardinal-Hickory 345kV transmission line between Dubuque and Clayton County is ongoing, as it has been since the Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the Cardinal-Hickory Creek 345-kV Transmission Line Project was signed and executed with the Advisory Council on Historic Properties (ACHP) on October 10, 2019.

FY 2022 budget allocation \$575 remaining in the FY22 budget as of June 2022 was allocated to various projects at the June DCHPC meeting since the County Budget director had stated no remaining money could be carried over by transferring to the Dubuque County Historical Society to administer for DCHPC, as had happened in past years. Chair Stewart submitted all of the remaining FY22 invoices on the afternoon of 23 June 2022 so they were in before the FY22 cut off of noon on 24 June 2022. She will check with the Finance Director in the Dubuque County Auditor's Office to see if those invoices have been paid out.

Commissioners have prepared four presentations on various topics over the past year. Jenny Ostwinkle-Silva, who is a member of Dyersville City Council, had contacted Vice-Chair Neises asking for advice on doing a tour in conjunction with the 150th anniversary of Dyersville. Neises had not heard anything more from Ostwinkle-Silva when contacted prior to the August DCHPC meeting.

At the June DCHPC meeting, Charles Pearson spoke about the Black Heritage Survey he is doing for the City of Dubuque. Pearson presented the results of his Black Heritage research so far, along with Stewart, Lynn Sutton, and Sandra Lee Scott, at a Juneteenth Lunch & Learn on Friday 17 June. DCHPC cosponsored the Lunch & Learn and Stewart will forward the video of the Lunch & Learn to Commissioners - <https://youtu.be/m2eFlx0JuWc>

Commissioners expressed interest in expanding this survey to include Dubuque County and tying it into the "Toward Universal Suffrage" exhibit, which is about Black Women's Suffrage in Iowa. Chair Stewart reached out to Dyersville Area Historical Society, Epworth Community Historical Society, Farley Area Historical Society, New Vienna Area Historical Society and Tri-County Historical Society to see if they have anything related to Black History in their archives, but only heard back from Marian Klostermann who stated she did not find any history of African Americans in the archives of New Vienna and Western Dubuque County area.

Commissioners approved a list of sites to be the start of a walking or bicycle tour. Pearson will be invited back to the next DCHPC meeting to discuss tying Dubuque County into the Mississippi River Trail, the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation, the National Park Service, ad to engage conservation groups, bicycle groups and preservation groups for a tourist initiative highlighting black life along the Mississippi River in Dubuque County. DCHPC could also look

at applying for a 20th Century African American Civil Rights grant or the rails and trails program.

Mary Anderson, Kristin M. Anderson-Bricker and Heidi R. Pettitt from Loras and James Sizer and Brian Hallstoos from the University of Dubuque will be invited to the September DCHPC meeting to discuss the “Toward Universal Suffrage” exhibit, an opening reception and any other details we need to discuss before the exhibit arrives at Loras on October 3, and well as details for a reception at the University of Dubuque either when the exhibit arrives there or before it closes at the end of the month.

The next meeting of DCHPC will be on Thursday 1 September 2022 via zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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