TOWN OF WESTPORT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Kennedy Administration Building Community Meeting Room 5387 Mary Lake Road Waunakee, WI 53597

Minutes - February 4, 2021

Members present via Zoom: Joe Pichette, Michelle Wing, Rosa Ropers, Chris Moore

Members absent: Janette Hermanson

Public Present: None

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m. No public comment on matters not on the agenda. Motion by Wing to approve minutes for 12-07-21. Pichette seconded the motion with members voting in approval.

Discussion Items:

Recent correspondence from Town (Wilson) to HPC:

- Several items to note upcoming in the Town were shared via email by Tom Wilson. More review needed by HPC given timing, Pichette forwarded information to HPC members for review.
- One email noted upcoming presentation with UW-Madison students and faculty, Waunakee Village Officials, Town of Westport, members of Ho-Chunk Nation, discussing several areas of potential upcoming recognition and history related to native peoples from the area. HPC members Moore and Wing to attend.
- Maps projects from Town
 - Related to information on military trail, would like to recognize with a historical marker.
 - Section of North Mendota trail going through Governor Nelson State Park.
 - Should include recognition of first people and native nations
 - Could be along trail on CTH M or right on park along North Mendota trail. More discussion needed.

Butler House

- Don Tierney's ancestors owned the farm
- One of the older structures in town
- Wing asked if this is still within Westport, some members believe it might be

Plan Commission Update from Pichette:

- Property on East St. Nothing to note for HPC.
- Property near Military Trail. Opportunity for some markers.

Military Trail Maps:

• Joe might have asked for overlays to see how trail may have changed.

Software/Archives:

• More discussion needed. Wing suggested HPC should assess what we have to catalog, is it worth the fee based on the inventory?

List of Town Historic sites (in progress):

• Wing has not made additional advancements since the last meeting. Would be worthwhile to add addresses to it and annotate it, notes for possible future members, could explore mapping in relation, suggest gathering information that we have for each place.

The next meeting of the HPC will be March 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Moore moved to adjourn, Wing seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes by Chris Moore