

LAKE GENEVA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA
DECEMBER 12, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL,
626 GENEVA STREET, LAKE GENEVA, WI 53147

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes: Review and approval of the minutes from the November 14, 2023, *Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission Meeting*
4. Comments from the public and correspondence.
5. Reports on the *Geneva Lake Museum* upcoming events, including “*Tuesdays @ Two*” programs and news from the *Maple Park Homeowners’ Association*, including updates on the regulation of short-term rentals in the *Maple Park Historic District*.
6. Updates regarding *Black Point Estate & Gardens*, *Horticultural Hall*, and *Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tours*, including *Black Point* programs at the Lake Geneva Public Library.
7. Updates on events at *The Riviera*, at the *1928 Geneva Theater / Geneva Stage*, or local news items relating to the *Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission*.
8. Review of recent bills and invoices and updates on the current balance in the *Lake Geneva Historic Preservation Commission 2023 City Budget*. Discussion and updates regarding *Proposed 2024 LGHPC Budget and schedule for upcoming City Council meetings regarding publication and approval of the 2024 Operating & Capital Budgets*.
9. Discussion and comments regarding recent building / remodeling projects within *National & State Historic Districts*.
10. Update regarding Paula Porubcan’s Certified Local Government Grant Application for *Hillmoor Archaeological Survey* and discussion regarding possible nomination of the former *Hillmoor Golf Course* property as a National Historic Landscape under the Department of Interior Historic Landscape program.
11. Update regarding submittal of *Certified Local Government* renewal application on February 28, 2023; revisions and updates to the *City of Lake Geneva Chapter 34 - Historic Preservation Ordinance* including latest discussions with City Attorney Dan Draper and Jason Tish at *Wisconsin Historical Society*; follow up on *Special LGHPC* meeting with Jason Tish on July 20; and the presentation at *Committee of the Whole* meeting on Monday, August 7, and at *Finance, License & Regulation Committee* meeting on August 15 regarding proposed changes to *Chapter 34 – Historic Preservation Ordinance*, and subsequent approval by the City Council. Discussion regarding additional items we now need to complete to qualify for landmark status.

12. Discussion regarding the repair and/or replacement of existing historic plaques and signs by Jim Sherin at *Timberline Signs* including six *Maple Park Historic District Signs* and the *Mill Race Historic Sign*, and status of four additional plaques and signs that have been repaired and/or replaced, including *Wisconsin Power & Light* plaque, *Chicago & Northwestern* plaque, *Lake Geneva Water & Light Co.* plaque, and the *Historic Railroad of Lake Geneva* plaque.
13. Update regarding current status of the *Three Graces* statue, the relocation from Flat Iron Park to the Geneva Lake Museum, and the future plans for repair and/or replacement of the *Three Graces* statue.
14. Review of recent *Historic Plaque Program* applications, including *1033 Geneva Street*, the cost of plaques from *Timberline Signs* at \$258.48 each (including sales tax), application forms, and ongoing updating the list of past plaque recipients.
15. Updates on the status of the *I-phone app* and *Android app* of *A Historic Lake Geneva Walking Tour*, including reactivation of I-phone app, and discussion on how to better promote the apps, including presentations to the Lake Geneva City Council. Update from Sonja Akright on any new information regarding renewal of I-phone app.
16. Discussion regarding new projects for the *LGHPC*, updates to our website www.historyoflakegeneva.org, and discussion on any other potential future *LGHPC* projects that we might want to consider. Update from Sonja Akright regarding who to contact on website update.
17. Updates regarding the *Lake Geneva Historic Railroad Site*, including possible options for the clean-up and repairs to the paver “footprints” of the *Railroad Turntable*, *Engine House*, and *Water Tower* and comments from Mark Polyock at *Lakes Brick & Block* regarding potential high cost of repairs and/or replacement. Mark suggested replacing it with 12” X 12” pavers or a simple concrete strip to mark the “footprints” but noted that any option will not be inexpensive.
18. Report regarding any new correspondence from Stephanie Klett and Chris Hunter at *Visit Lake Geneva / Lake Geneva Chamber of Commerce* and Lake Geneva City Administrator David Nord on how the *LGHPC* can help promote tourism in Lake Geneva.
19. Update on information from Jason Tish at the *Wisconsin Historical Society*, *National Trust for Historic Preservation*, the *Society of Architectural Historians*, and the *Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions*.
20. Adjournment

***THE NEXT LAKE GENEVA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING WILL BE AT CITY HALL @ 7:00 P.M.
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024.***