

## Woodbury County Courthouse Advisory Committee for Historical Preservation Minutes

July 18, 2017

3:00 PM

First Floor Boardroom

### Attending:

Jim Jung, Shane Albrecht, Matthew Ung, Mike Walsh, Kenny Schmitz, Jeremy Taylor, Terry Glade, Leesa McNeil

### Guests Attending:

John Malloy – WCICC IT Director, Matt Anderson – Sioux City Public Museum, Stacy Anderson – Sioux City Art Center, Captain Rex Mueller – Sioux City Police Department

A motion was made by Glade and seconded by Jung to approve the agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Glade to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 6, 2017. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **Courthouse Updates: Sub-Basement Column Deterioration, Exterior Terra Cotta, Study Update**

Pete Franks is currently in the process of working on the courthouse assessment study. Mr. Franks identified that the steel beams have tipped the windows forward. The windows must be taken out and the steel beams will need to be replaced.

Kenny Schmitz had a structural engineer look at the deterioration of the sub-basement columns. The engineer recommends repairs need to be made to four of the columns. It is recommended to start with at least one to get an idea of what needs to be done to repair all the columns. Shane Albrecht suggested that this project go before the board for an emergency repair. The county could possibly get pricing from two to three contractors to make sure the county is getting a suitable number.

The time capsule was placed in the cornerstone of the NW corner as the building was being built. The difficulty with the time capsule is how to extract the materials from the cornerstone. There are a couple of options to extract the materials. One of those would be very expensive and the other option is estimated to cost \$10,000.

### **Logo Design and Creation**

Jim Jung went to Doug Potts with Signs by Tomorrow who worked on a potential logo for the county centennial. Mr. Potts is willing to work with any ideas that someone may have.

Rex Mueller showed photographic sketches of potential posters for the centennial. Rex is in collaboration with Brian Johnson and is not looking for any financial gain from this project. He would like to see some financial benefit for Mr. Johnson. Rex described how artistic license and independence is important in the development of this poster.

Stacy Anderson informed the group that Art Splash started something new just last summer, an Interactive Exhibition Area. This is an opportunity that would give non-profit or community partners a platform to talk about what they do to help make Sioux City better. This could be an opportunity for the county to promote the centennial celebration.

### **Confirmation of VIPs**

Jim has confirmation from Tim Samuelson, a cultural historian from Chicago, as well as Guy Wilson, a professor of architecture from the University of Virginia.

### **Courthouse website**

Jim Jung suggested that there should be a link on the county's website regarding the centennial.

There was a discussion regarding creating a work group to discuss the walking tour and a tour away from the courthouse. There were also discussions regarding a Facebook page.

The county has permission to use the American Bungalow article by George Lindblade, as well as other materials used in the past created by Lindblades for touring the courthouse.

### **2017 MHRD Special Grant**

The 2017 MHRD Special Grant is a total of \$1 million. Applicants cannot receive less than \$25,000 and no more than \$250,000. Applicants will be contacted in mid-September and formally awarded September 27<sup>th</sup>. Woodbury County applied for \$30,000.