

GRIGNON MANSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 27, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Pennie Thiele at 5:30 PM in the Municipal Services Building Council Chamber

Roll Call

Present – Pennie Thiele, Bruce Werschem, Shellee Jackels, Al Borchardt, Gavin Schmitt, Sandy Coenen

Absent – Patty Brogan, Christina Crook

Others in Attendance – Cassidy Mickelson

Review/Approve Minutes from February 13, 2023, Meeting

- Motion by Gavin Schmitt to approve meeting minutes. Seconded by Bruce Werschem. Motion Unanimously Approved.

Report from the City

- Kaukauna High School Civic Engagement Class Project
 - A “Winter Festivities” Building in the lower Grignon Property lot has been presented to the Board of Public Works
 - \$1.2 Million is projected to be raised by the KHS Class, but the building itself would be City-owned
 - Concerns among the Grignon Board
 - Will this building “take away” from the Grignon Mansion
 - Historical Integrity
 - Using parts of the property that would have potentially been used for Out Buildings and other structures for the Mansion
 - Disturbing the archaeological dig site areas
 - Using parts of the property needed for fundraising events and activities for the Mansion
 - In agreement that there are so many neat ideas for this proposed plan, but also potential problems as well
 - Does the Grignon Mansion Board have any “say” in regards to this proposal moving forward?
 - The City and the Grignon Mansion Board will have to discuss and come to an agreement
- Gearing up for Summer Events
 - Mickelson has been and/or will be meeting with the organizer for the Civil War Encampment Event as well as the organizer of the GM Car Show
 - Wednesday, June 14 - Little Chute Band Performance and Culvers Ice Cream Social

Report from Friends

- Financial Reports
 - February 2023
 - Grant Money Account - Beginning balance of \$30,034.74, ending balance \$30,042.15.
 - Original Checking Account - Beginning balance of \$49,083.90, ending balance \$48,621.45, with total deposits of \$175.43 and total withdrawals of \$399.90.
 - Savings account – Beginning balance of 100.19, ending balance of 100.21.

Report from the Chair

- Nothing new to report

Other Business

- Nominations for Officers
 - Chair, Vice Chair & Secretary
 - Election for Officers April 24, 2023
 - Bruce Werschem made a motion to nominate Pennie Thiele to remain as Chair, seconded by Sandy Coenen. Motion unanimously approved.
 - Pennie Thiele made a motion to nominate Bruce Werschem to remain as Vice Chair, seconded by Gavin Schmitt. Motion unanimously approved.
 - Sandy Coenen made a motion to nominate Shellee Jackels to remain as Secretary, seconded by Al Borchardt. Motion unanimously approved.
- Tree Planting on the Mansion Grounds
 - Funds are available and designated to the tree re-planting project
 - Devising a plan for types of trees to plant and how to plant them
 - It is planned to begin the re-planting project yet in the 2023 season

Set Next Meeting Date and Location

- Monday, April 24, 2023, at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers.

Adjourn at 6:30 PM

- Motion by Shellee Jackels. Seconded by Bruce Werschem. Motion Unanimously Approved.