

GRIGNON MANSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Pennie Thiele at 5:00 PM in the Municipal Services Building, Hydro View Room.

Roll Call

Present – Al Borchardt, Sandy Coenen, Christina Crook, Gavin Schmitt, Pennie Thiele, Bruce Werschem, Brian Buechel

Absent – Patty Brogan

Others in Attendance – Cassidy Mickelson

Review/Approve Minutes from January 22, 2024 Meeting

- Motion by Sandy Coenen to approve meeting minutes. Seconded by Al Borchardt. Motion Unanimously Approved.

Report from the City

- Staff Report

Going forward, Director Mickelson will include in the monthly packet how time is divided up between her duties with the Friends, the Mansion and Community Enrichment (Live from Hydro Park, etc.).

Mansion has passed its regular security and fire inspection.

Director Mickelson and Terri Vosters reached out to multiple groups regarding a strategic plan for the Mansion, but as of present date nothing firm has commenced.

The April 15, 2024 Health and Recreation Committee for City of Kaukauna passed a motion granting "temporary allowance of horses, and overnight camping August 23-26, 2024 for the Civil War Living History Demonstration contingent upon receiving background checks and proof of insurance." Grignon board members had a general discussion on the matter, and concerns were raised that this may not be feasible or cost-effective. Director Mickelson will follow up with City Attorney Greenwood and Police Chief Graff.

Due to a scheduling conflict, Menominee Nation drummers are unable to attend the scheduled Menominee dance set for May 18, 2024. Event is cancelled.

Report from Friends

- Financial Reports

No large changes this month. Income was through interest, and outgoing was through routine bills.

Report from the Chair

President Thiele noted that the original ordinance that established the Mansion board needs fine-tuning on verbiage. Also, Thiele noted the board bylaws had not been set since 2012 and would be worth revisiting to ensure we are adhering to them and/or that they are in line how the board operates in practice.

Other Business

None.

Set Next Meeting Date and Location

Usual date coincides with Memorial Day and was rejected. Alternate date of Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 5:00 PM in the Hydro View Room was accepted. (Date and time chosen by discussion, not motion.)

Adjournment

- Motion by Brian Buechel. Seconded by Sandy Coenen. Motion Unanimously Approved.