

**MINUTES
CITY OF AMES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Date: March 11, 2024	Susan Minks	2024
	Angie Kolz	2024
Call to Order: 6:00 PM	Mary Jo Winder	2024
Place: Council Chambers	Scott Huffman	2026
	Melissa Goodwin	2026
Adjournment: 6:42 PM	Robert Ewald	2026

[*Absent]

CALL TO ORDER: Scott Huffman, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: (Kolz/Minks) to approve the agenda for the meeting of March 11, 2024.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF January 08, 2024:

MOTION: (Huffman/Winder) to approve the Minutes of the meeting of January 08, 2024.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2024 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

Eloise Sahlstrom, Planner for the City of Ames, stated two nominations had been received for the 2024 Historic Preservation Awards. The first nomination was submitted by Mary Jo Winder for Ted Tedesco for the category of Significant Achievement in Historic Preservation. Ms. Sahlstrom discussed the criteria for the category, as well as the achievements of Ted Tedesco and his involvement with Historic Preservation, Ada Hayden Heritage Park, and the Tedesco

Environmental Learning Center. Ms. Sahlstrom commented this category has not been awarded often. Sharon Wirth and one other recipient have received the award in the past.

Robert Ewald, Commission Member, agreed the nomination met the criteria for the award category.

MOTION: (Huffman/Minks) to approve the "Significant Achievement in Historic Preservation" Award for Ted Tedesco.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

Ms. Sahlstrom introduced the second nomination for 501 Main Street, which was submitted by Mary Jo Winder for the category of Keeping the Past Alive. Ms. Sahlstrom read the summary for the award nomination and discussed the criteria for the award category. Pictures of the building were displayed.

Ms. Winder noted the ivy was removed from the building by the current owner when they purchased it. Material used for construction of the building is unique and more commonly used in construction of silos. She felt it was significant enough to be a landmark.

MOTION: (Minks/Goodwin) to approve the "Keeping the Past Alive (Preservation)" Award for 501 Main Street.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

DOWNTOWN AMES 515 WEEK EVENT INVOLVEMENT

Ms. Sahlstrom remarked this item is a follow up to the Historic Preservation Work Plan, since the 515 Week event is included in it.

Mr. Huffman commented the Commission needs to decide if they will be involved this year and discussed the 2023 event. Ms. Sahlstrom stated the 515 Committee set aside a few dates to meet to plan for the event. The event would be the same week in May this year as it was in 2023. Ms. Minks commented the Ames History Museum did most of the work from the historic preservation aspect for the event last year. The 2024 event will be held. May 15th through 17th.

Ms. Minks suggested contacting the Ames History Museum again to see if they had any plans for the event and the Commission could partner with them. A partnership last year worked well.

Mr. Huffman will follow up with the Ames Chamber. Ms. Minks felt the event would be good exposure.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Ms. Minks shared she has enjoyed being on the Commission for two terms. Mr. Huffman thanked Ms. Kolz, Ms. Minks, and Ms. Winder for their work on the Commission.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Sahlstrom called the Commission's attention to the Preserve Iowa Summit. The summit will be held June 6-8th in Mt. Pleasant. The City will pay for a portion or all of the cost of attending. She encouraged Commission members to attend if possible.

Ms. Sahlstrom and Mr. Anderson also thanked the three departing members for their hard work.

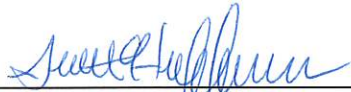
Mr. Anderson announced City Council will be appointing two new Commission members at the Council Meeting tomorrow night. The Commission will still have two vacancies.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

MOTION: (Huffman/Winder) to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.



Scott Huffman, Chairperson
Historic Preservation Commission



Laura Colebrooke, Recording Secretary
Department of Planning & Housing