

Meeting minutes for July 12, 2019

The CCHPC met on July 12, 2019 at 9am at the Garnavillo Museum. The following members attending, Ellen Collins, John Nikolai, Gary Goyette, Milton Johnson, Lee Lenth and Roger Thomas.

A motion by Goyette to accept the meeting agenda, seconded by Nikolai, motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Nikolai to approve the June 14, 2019 minutes as printed, seconded by Goyette, motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Thomas shared the pictures of the Mederville Bridge and clocktower taken by the photographer Clayton County Development Group. Thomas suggested that the Mederville Bridge be considered by the commission to be placed on the National Historic Registry. Two other stone arch bridges should also be considered, they are located on 250th Street near Garnavillo and Enamel Road.

Collins showed the signs that will be displayed at the state fair and the clock tower re-dedication. A motion by Johnson to approve the purchase and payment for the signs, seconded by Nikolai, motion carried unanimously.

Collins commented on the meeting she had with the county supervisors concerning who owns and maintains the property adjacent to the Mederville Bridge. She asked members who and when to clean the bridge of debris and lichen. Supervisor Peterson told her that plans to improve the canoe access near the bridge by using land owned by him.

Members were assigned to contact various groups to assist in the cleaning of the bridge. Plans are to clean the bridge sometime this fall.

The one plaque that is missing on the sign near the bridge could be replaced with a plaque if the bridge is placed on the National Registry.

The following members are going to be help in the booth at the state fair, Collins, Lenth, Goyette and Nikolai.

Re-dedication of the clock tower is Friday, September 6 on the side lawn of the courthouse. The re-dedication will start at 1pm and end at 5:30pm. Posters will be displayed of the original contributors to the tower in 1896, another sign with a picture of the clock tower will be used for people to sign that are attending. The sign will then be placed in the bell tower.

New Business

A request from GSS for the commission to review the replacement of a railroad communication tower near Island Rd south of Guttenberg. Collins viewed the tower location and said that it caused her no concern. There were no objections from other commissioners and that the application should be approved.

A motion by Goyette to table the elections of commission officers until the August meeting, seconded by Lenth, motion carried unanimously.

Johnson moved the meeting adjourn, seconded by Lenth, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger Thomas