

**HPC**  
**Monday, March 28, 2011**

**Commission Members:**

Linda Mann-Chair	Melody Gibson
Mary Flicek	Al Wharton
Ron Prescher	Bruce Wildes
(1) Vacancy	

**City Representatives:**

Molly Patterson-Lundgren, City Planner

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

The regular meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission was held on Monday, March 28, 2011 at City Hall and was called to order at 9:00 am by Linda Mann.

Roll found all members present.

Changes/Additions – Molly requested a discussion on buttons be added under the Traveling Exhibit discussion.

Board members welcomed new member Bruce Wildes and introduced themselves and gave brief background information.

Members Wharton and Gibson moved to approve the February 28, 2011 meeting minutes with the following correction. Adopted unanimously.

- correct chair status from Mary to Linda

No announcements

**Design Review – T-Bones Grill & Bar Sign Application**

T-Bones Grill and Bar located at 260 Main Street West is proposing two signs in their application, a wall sign and a projecting sign. The signs have already been installed. Commission members received a copy of the application, photos of the signs, and a staff report. The applicant was not present.

The total square footage of both signs is 30.7 square feet, the bldg is allowed up to a maximum of 152 square feet. The wall sign is located on the wall on the left side of the front of the bldg and the projecting sign is located on a pre-existing pole.

It is staff's opinion that the signs meet the size and location requirements according to the city's sign ordinance, but the wall sign does not meet the standards for letter height and border requirements.

Commission members discussed the application and ordinance requirements. Discussion included, color, lettering height, border requirements, and location.

After all discussion, Commissioner Gibson moved to table any decision on the application and to allow the applicant 30 days to put a frame on the sign and to not require the applicant to remove the sign. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wharton. The motion passed with the following vote: Ayes: Gibson, Wharton, Mann, Prescher, Wildes Nays: None Abstain: Flicek.

**New business**

Molly provided Commissioners with a copy of the downtown informational flyer. It was decided to send the flyer to the following people:

- downtown business owners
- real estate agents
- chamber of commerce

## Old business

The MN Homefront Exhibit project was discussed. Items discussed included:

- the booth at the Home and Garden Show
- getting VFW and Legion support
- comment cards – Molly working on
- continued discussion on potential locations for the exhibit
- transportation
- “History Matters” buttons provided by the Historical Society
  - can use for volunteers

Linda Mann announced that the 2011 Travel Planner brochure has a full page on the Historical Walking Tour brochures.

Molly informed the commission that the state is updating the statewide Historic Preservation Plan and is collecting information from the public.

Commission membership was discussed. Molly stated that she has spoken with council member Gallenberger about the potential of being on the commission; however she cannot make morning meetings. Commissioners discussed the possibility of moving meetings to the evenings. Further discussion is needed.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2011 at 9am.

Commissioners Wharton and Flicek moved to adjourn at 10:55 am. Adopted unanimously.

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Patty Heraty, Administrative Assistant