

**Chesterfield Landmarks Preservation Commission
Joint meeting with the Historical Commission
Don Wiegand's Home and Studio
July 9, 2009**

Attendance:

Todd Williams	Suzie Marx
Mark Leach	Jane Durrell
Dan Rothwell	Lauren Strutman
Ted Goedecke	Nell Goedecke
Joan Schacht	Alice Fugate
Ann Chrissos	Bob DeFer
Doris DeFer	Henry Pecherski
Stan Dampier	Shawn Seymour
Council Member Mike Casey	Aimee Nassif
Stan Proctor	Don Wiegand
Daniel Semar (Guest)	Mayor John Nations (Guest)

The joint meeting of the Chesterfield Landmarks Preservation and Historical Commissions was called to order by Alice Fugate, Chairman of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, at the historic Chesterfield Slaughterhouse home and studio of artist Don Wiegand.

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Landmarks Preservation Commission and the Historical Commission were approved.

Chesterfield Mayor John Nations was welcomed and introduced as our guest and the committee members and guests introduced themselves. Mayor Nations addressed several questions from the commission members.

He and the City of Chesterfield are in support of Don Wiegand's effort to save his home and studio. (The historic slaughterhouse) It is the Corp of Engineers plan to remove the home for construction of a new levy. He encouraged individuals to write letters of support for this endeavor.

He discussed the Bettendorf-Sachs house at length and the city will own the property. The Planning Commission has accepted the property and the Mayor would like to obtain other land around the home and have a small park and walking trails. He said it is not a done deal, but he is optimistic. When asked if we will take the house even without obtaining the extra land, he said yes. There is no time line on acquiring this property; many things need to be worked out.

As Mayor Nations excused himself from the rest of the meeting, he said he would be in attendance on Wednesday, July 15, for the presentation of the historic designated bronze plaque by the Landmark Preservation Commission to Don Wiegand.

Joan Schacht of the Historical Commission distributed an explanatory sheet reviewing the joining of the Preservation Commission, the Historic Commission and the Heritage Foundation. Aimee Nassif of the Planning Commission stated that there would be no legal block for this to take place, just approval of the City Council, which she will present to them. All members were in agreement of the benefits to be one group and a motion was passed to discuss at each of the individual commissions next meeting and each commission will vote at that time.

A motion was approved to follow through with the \$5,000.00 grant to the Doty family on Old Baxter Road for repairs needed on their historic property.

The Treasurer's report was given by Mark Leach. The Landmarks Commission's balance was \$669.80. Historical Commission's balance was \$17,099.79.

The Archeology report by Mark Leach, answered questions as to the mounds in the path of the construction of new highway 141. He said MODOT plans to miss most of the mounds and one that is going to be destroyed will be explored first. He told of the rather new Stan Dampier archeology site in the river bottoms just west of Eatherton and Airport Roads. It was discovered by our Historical Commission member Stan Dampier and many artifacts have been recovered. There is digging going on there now and the site is open for observation.

The Chairman reminded everyone of the presentation at the Weigand home on July 15, and thanked all guests for coming.

The Historical Commission meets on Wednesday, August 12 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Prepared by Doris DeFer