

**TOWN OF WESTPORT  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING**

Kennedy Administration Building  
Community Meeting Room  
5387 Mary Lake Road  
Waunakee, WI 53597

**MINUTES** of August 3, 2017

Members present: Mimi Bloch, Ray Mejia, Joe Pichette, Nancy Schlimgen

Member absent: Janette Hermanson

Public present: Rebecca Bernstein, Historic Resource Consultant

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. with tour leaving at 6:05.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mimi motioned to accept July 6, 2017 minutes. Motion approved by members present.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**HPC Roadside Tour**

Starting at the Town Hall, members rode in the same vehicle to facilitate sharing of historical accounts, as known. Rebecca and Ray devised the itinerary. Our route took us along Westport Road, wondering if that barn at the fork in the road was within the town boundaries of Westport? Rebecca noted older houses, barns, and silos on a map as we went. We backtracked to County M heading West following the lakeshore at North Shore Bay and then further down the way at Borchers' Beach noticing older cottages, of which few remain. Also noting Governor Nelson State Park's history and land that extends around residences and to the lakeshore. Before reaching Borchers' Beach Road, once on County M we passed the Bishop's Bay proposed phase 5 development, noting the remaining farmhouse to be soon torn down is in the process of being surveyed by Rebecca and of the trees on the site inventoried with Bruce Allison as conveyed by Joe. Admiring the barn in the landscape on the Holy Wisdom Monastery property and the Siberz buildings in the area, as we traveled on County M, we stopped at Bishop's Bay Country Club in anticipation of club house renovations this fall. Rebecca will check on alternative times to photo document the historic aspects of this structure. Circling back on County Q, looking for the silo(s), then turning on Oncken Road we noted the barn complex along with the vast extent of the Communities of Bishop's Bay anticipated development on our *Historic Westport Landscape*. (and its potential aggravation of existing *rush hour* traffic congestion).

**NEXT MEETING**

The Historic Preservation Commission meets the first Thursday of each month, unless otherwise stated at 6 p.m. in the community Meeting Room of the Town Center.

**The next meeting is on September 7th**, followed by October 5th.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned when the tour concluded around 8:10 p.m.

***Special Thanks to Joe for driving!***