

Waynesboro Historical Commission
Secretary's Report
June 16, 20128

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Attending: Susan Elder, Megan Reid and Judy Walden

Absent: Judy Price-Smith (out of town) Ron Hiserman, Jake Buscher, Jeff Mellott,
Jerry Layman (surgery) and Kelly Sheely

Guest: Tom Carlsson

1. I have a lot of copies of our May 15 minutes as there were only three members of the Commission plus Tom, thus we did not have a quorum and could not vote on any issues. However we did discuss a number of items.
2. Letter was sent to Clair Myers and Constance Paradiso explaining why we could not accept their work on the booklet of Walnut Grove at this time. Only Clair replied and he was most unhappy about our attitude and decided to cancel out of the project and his history lecture at the Wayne Theatre in September.
3. Julia Bortle asked me to send to her the name of the current chair of the WHC, where we meet and our minutes from previous and current meetings. She was asked to do that by the Vice-Mayor. I inquired as to how far back to send our minutes and I have not received a reply. Minutes would be posted on the City website.
4. The Plumb House is without A/C and Shirley has had to remove some items as they were getting mold on them.
5. Tom spoke about the progress being made toward stabilizing the John Crouse house by getting new windows, repairing the holes in the floors, finding operable door locks, repairing the chimneys and taking down the barbed wire fence. The house should be a safer and more secure building to deter vandals and the homeless. It will be part of the interest along the future Greenway.
6. Judy and Tom are going to New Market to speak with two men who are with the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation and will be taking along the cannonball found in the Crouse house to see if it can be identified.
7. We left around 7:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Walden