

Municipal Building 625 52nd Street – Room 204	Kenosha Historic Preservation Commission Agenda	February 28, 2013 5:00 p.m.
<i>Don Jensen – Chairperson, Tom Schleif – Vice-Chairperson, Alderman Jan Michalski, Sue Dyke O'Day and Merike Phillips</i>		

Call to Order and Roll Call

Approval of Minutes from October 25, 2012

1. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.
2. Proposed Historical Artifact Lists for Red Arrow Park Artillery (M116 75mm Pack Howitzer) at 1700 84th Place. (District #12)
3. Discussion of future Historical Artifact listings.

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Staff Comments

Adjournment

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes
October 25, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alderman Jan Michalski, Don Jensen, Merike Phillips and Tom Schleif

EXCUSED: Sue Dyke O'Day and Jennifer Heim

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Maki

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mr. Jensen and roll was taken.

A motion was made by Alderman Michalski and seconded by Mr. Schleif to approve the minutes of the August 30, 2012 meeting. The motion passed. (Ayes 4; Noes 0)

1. By Alderperson Jan Michalski - To Create Chapter XXXVIII of the Code of General Ordinances Entitled Kenosha Heritage. PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing opened, no comments, public hearing closed.

Alderman Michalski said he had the pleasure of working with Staff and other Commission members to add some clarifications to the existing Ordinance.

Mr. Jensen said he enjoyed participating in the revisions and believe they provide a better balance to the proposed Ordinance.

Mr. Schleif questioned the definition that a historical artifact must be at least 50 years old. Couldn't it be historical if even if it is only 2 years old?

Ms. Phillips said it is typical to use "50 years" as the required age.

Alderman Michalski explained that typically 100 years old is considered an "antique"; 50 years is considered a "collectable" and 25 years is considered an "artifact".

Mr. Jensen said the date guideline seems to be reasonable and fits the duties and customs imposed.

Mr. Schleif asked, can we consider items that are less than 50 years old?

Mr. Jensen said we may also want to consider monuments in cemeteries. Age should not be the only factor.

Ms. Phillips said there is a procedure to object to being on the listing. Should we have further clarification on how this objection is made? Must it be made in writing? Who would address this? Who would receive notification that an item will be placed on the listing?

Mr. Jensen said each agency has a person responsible for the grounds/contents of a property. The Commission would contact that person.

Mr. Schleif said the procedure is listed under Section C., but should the objection be submitted in writing?

Mike Maki, Community Development Specialist, agreed and asked should it be mandatory that the objection be submitted in writing?

Alderman Michalski said the entity must have the appropriate individual respond or state their objections in writing.

Mr. Maki said when we move forward with the nominations, we will forward a notification of proposed nominations to the appropriate person for each entity.

A motion was made by Alderman Michalski and seconded by Mr. Schleif to approve the revised Ordinance. The motion passed. (Ayes 4; Noes 0)

Public Comments

No public comments.

Commissioner Comments

Ms. Phillips asked if any progress has been made on the study to list which buildings are of historical importance within the City.

Mr. Maki said nothing has transpired to his knowledge, but we can send a written endorsement to the Mayor and Common Council. Mr. Jensen asked if we could entertain a Resolution of endorsement. It was clarified that a Resolution would first need to be listed as an agenda item.

Staff Comments

Mr. Maki reminded Commissioners that the November and December meetings are usually a combined meeting, due to the lack of items. Staff is looking to have the meeting the second week of December, possibly on December 13th. Staff will contact the Commission and find an appropriate date.

A motion was made by Alderman Michalski and seconded by Ms. Phillips to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. (Ayes 4; Noes 0) The meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Prepared by: Kay Schueffner, Community Development & Inspections

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Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

PURPOSE:

Elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

HISTORIC DISTRICT:

N/A

NOTIFICATIONS/PROCEDURES:

N/A

ANALYSIS:

- The Bylaws of the Kenosha Historic Preservation Commission require the election of a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson by the Commission and that they take office at the first regular meeting of the calendar year.
- The term of office for the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson shall be one (1) year.

RECOMMENDATION:

A recommendation is made to elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson.


Michael Maki, A.I.C.P.


Jeffrey B. Labahn, Director

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Proposed Historical Artifact Lists for Red Arrow Park Artillery (M116 75mm Pack Howitzer) at 1700 84th Place. (District #12)

PURPOSE:

Review of proposed Historical Artifact Listing

HISTORIC DISTRICT:

N/A

NOTIFICATIONS/PROCEDURES:

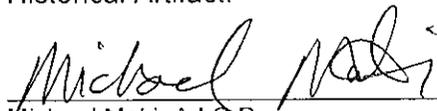
The following people have been notified of the proposed Historical Artifact: Mayor Bosman, all Aldermen, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Directors of Kenosha Public Museums, Public Works, Kenosha Water Utility and Community Development & Inspections. The Common Council is the final review authority.

ANALYSIS:

- Chapter 38 of the General Code of Ordinances established standards for listing historical artifacts on the City's inventory of Historic Artifacts. Chapter 38 was adopted to provide for the identification, protection, enhancement, perpetuation and use of artifacts that reflect special aspects of the City's historical, architectural, cultural, or aesthetic heritage.
- The proposed historical artifact is required to be either a minimum of 50 years old, or associated with a property that meets the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, State Register of Historic Places or a City landmark. The historical artifact must also meet one or more of five (5) additional items for designation.
- The Red Arrow Park Artillery M116 75mm Pack Howitzer was determined to be at least 50 years old, having been manufactured in 1942 by General Electric. It was also determined to be an object that "is identified with personages, events, or periods of history which personages, events, or periods are significant to the community" and "in its inherent historic nature provides the citizenry with educational or aesthetic enrichment".
- Additional information on the description of the Red Arrow Park Artillery and its significance are provided in the attached Historical Artifact Determination.

RECOMMENDATION:

Since the Red Arrow Park Artillery is at least 50 years old and meets two out of five possible definitions of a local historical artifact, a recommendation is made to forward this item to the Common Council for listing as a Historical Artifact.


Michael Maki, A.I.C.P.


Jeffrey B. Labahn, Director

**KENOSHA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
HISTORICAL ARTIFACT DETERMINATION**

ARTIFACT NAME/DESCRIPTION	Red Arrow Park Artillery (M116 75mm Pack Howitzer)
ADDRESS	1700 84 th Place
CONSTRUCTION DATE	1942 General Electric No.3620 (dedicated in park 09/12/1965)
ARCHITECT/SCULPTOR/BUILDER	Gun-General Electric, Mount - J.G. Brill Co.

STANDARDS FOR DESIGNATION - MUST CHOOSE 1 OR MORE

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	Item is a local historical artifact that is at least 50 years old.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Item is associated with a property that meets the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

STANDARDS FOR DESIGNATION - MUST CHOOSE 1 OR MORE

<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Item exemplifies or reflects the cultural, archaeological, political, economic, social, or religious history.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4	Item is identified with personages, events, or periods of history which personages, events, or periods are significant to the community.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Item embodies distinguishing characteristics of architecture, an architect, architectural materials, craftsmanship, or works of nature.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6	Item is in its inherent historical nature provides the citizenry with educational or aesthetic enrichment.
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Check here if the historical artifact is located in a designated local, State, or National Register property or district.

<i>Level of Action</i>	<i>For Listing</i>	<i>No Listing</i>	<i>Removal from Listing</i>
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INSPECTIONS	X		
<i>PUBLIC HEARING DATE:</i>	<i>RECOMMENDATION DATE: 02/28/2013</i>		
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION			
COMMON COUNCIL			
<i>DATE OF COUNCIL ACTION:</i>			

DESCRIPTION

The M116 75 millimeter pack howitzer, located in Red Arrow Park, was manufactured by General Electric in 1942. The M1 (later M116) 75mm howitzer was first produced in the 1920's and was first used in combat during World War II. After World War II, the M1 was renamed the M116. The M1/M116 were transported on a carriage with a M1 or M8 box trail design. They were also transported on the M3A1, M3A2 or M3A3, which were all a split trail design. The M-8 carriage design is used for the Red Arrow Park howitzer.

The M1/M116 75 mm howitzer was ideal for warfare during both World Wars since both the artillery and the carriage could be disassembled into multiple pieces. The pieces could then easily be transported by pack animals, vehicles or airlifted into difficult terrain. The M1/M116 had a range of 5 miles.

The M116 75 mm howitzer in Red Arrow Park was donated by the United States Government in 1968 at the request of the City of Kenosha. The howitzer was transported to Kenosha by rail car from Pueblo, Colorado. The M116 was donated by the United States Government to the Red Arrow Division of Wisconsin and was dedicated on November 9, 1969.



SIGNIFICANCE

The M116 75 mm howitzer on display in Red Arrow Park was donated to the Red Arrow Division of Wisconsin. Red Arrow Park was named after the 32nd Red Arrow Division and was first dedicated on September 12, 1965.

The 32nd Red Arrow Division was first formed in July 1917 at Camp McArthur in Waco Texas. The Division was composed of National Guard members from both Wisconsin and Michigan. The 32nd Red Arrow Division sent 27,000 men to Europe in January and February 1918 during World War I. The Division earned its insignia due to its penetration of every German line of defense during World War I. The insignia consists of a red arrow piercing a horizontal line and has been used by the 32nd Division since World War I.

The 32nd Red Arrow Division also participated during World War II. It was the first division to deploy as an entire unit and the first division to be shipped overseas as a single convoy. The Division participated in the Pacific Theater during the war and logged 654 days, more than any other unit during World War II. Eleven of its members were awarded the Medal of Honor.

The 32nd Division was inactivated and retired in 1967. It was at this same time that the Red Arrow 32nd 'Red Arrow' Infantry Brigade was created and organized within the Wisconsin National Guard. More recently, the 32nd Red Arrow Infantry Brigade participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

The 32nd Red Arrow Division has also been honored with its own highway in both Wisconsin and Michigan. Highway 32, extending from the Wisconsin-Illinois State line to the Wisconsin-Michigan State line, is named after the 32nd Division. The highway sign is the only highway sign in Wisconsin which features an image, the Red Arrow Division trademark insignia of an arrow with a horizontal line on both sides of the number 32. A portion of U.S. Route 12 in Michigan is also named after the 32nd Red Arrow Division.