

ROCK COUNTY HALL OF HONOR COMMITTEE

Minutes – April 20, 2016

Call to Order. Chair Podzilni called the meeting of the Rock County Hall of Honor Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room N1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisor J. Russell Podzilni, Chair, Rock County Board of Supervisors; Supervisor Henry Brill, Chair, General Services Committee; Tim Maahs, President, Rock County Historical Society; Richard Bostwick, President, Arrowhead Library System Board; Diane Shadel, UW-Rock County Foundation Board, and Charles Clark, Dean, UW-Rock County.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Rick Richard, Chair, Education, Veterans & Aging Services Committee; Teri Downing, President, Beloit Historical Society; Robert Hoerler, President, Luther Valley Historical Society, Inc.; Tom Sveum, President, Milton Historical Society; and Jennifer Eager Ehle, President, The Grove Society of Evansville.

Staff Members Present: Nick Osborne, Assistant to the County Administrator.

Others Present: Supervisor Sandra Kraft.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Bostwick moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Dean Charles Clark. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes – May 13, 2015. Ms. Shadel moved approval of the minutes of May 13, 2015, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Discussion of Procedure to be Used in Selection of 2016 Hall of Honor Inductee(s). Mr. Osborne gave a brief history of the Rock County Hall of Honor and the criteria for selection set by the County Board is as follows:

“The Rock County Hall of Honor was established to recognize Rock County people, past and present, who have made significant contributions to the county and its people. The selection committee is seeking persons from all walks of life who have contributed their services and talents to the community. The selection committee is particularly looking for information on the broad contributions the candidate has made to the community, in addition to their employment contributions.”

Mr. Osborne said the Committee can select up to three inductees to the 2016 Hall of Honor. Generally the process is to review and discuss qualifications and decide on the number of people you would like to recommend. A vote is taken by ballot and the Hall of Honor Committee’s recommendation is forwarded by resolution to the Education,

Veterans and Aging Services Committee on May 17, 2016 and on to the County Board on May 26, 2016 for approval.

Review of Nominations. Chair Podzilni said, for clarification purposes, the Rock County Hall of Honor was established to recognize individuals and not groups or organizations.

Recommendation of Inductee(s) to the 2016 Hall of Honor. Chair Podzilni and the Committee discussed the nominee's contributions to the citizens of Rock County.

Dean Charles Clark said that what impressed him about Mr. Wartmann was the breadth of his contributions.

Ms. Shadel said that Mr. Erickson has had significant contributions to the Fourth Ward which go unnoticed by many.

Mr. Maahs said that Mr. Paynter has dedicated much of his time to the Ice Age Trail.

Supervisor Brill moved to recommend all three nominees for the Hall of Honor, second by Supervisor Bostwick. ADOPTED.

Supervisor Kraft said that she will deliver the recognition personally to Mr. Wartmann. She believes that Mr. Wartmann will be able to attend the Hall of Honor Ceremony.

The ceremony will be held at UW-Rock County and the date has not yet been set. Invitations will be mailed.

Adjournment. Mr. Maahs moved adjournment at 4:21 P.M., second by Ms. Shadel. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
HR Secretary

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