Designating Appleton’s Local Historic Buildings, Sites and Districts

“General Information”

City of Appleton
Historic Preservation Commission

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What is the Historic Preservation Commission?

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) is a local body with the power to recommend designation of historic structures, sites, and districts within the City of Appleton. HPC members have expertise in matters relating to the historical, archaeological, cultural, and architectural legacy of the earliest settlers in the Fox Valley.

Why preserve?

Historic structures serve as evidence of our community’s past and offer citizens direct access to their heritage. An understanding of local culture fosters a sense of community. Historic districts improve the quality of local life through their beauty as well as their architectural, educational, and historic value. In some cases, preserving historic structures is a more economical alternative to new construction. It promotes the growth of tourism and other local industries.

The National Register

Created by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) serves as the official list of the nation’s historic locations and buildings. Its purpose is to coordinate and support efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America’s historic and archaeological resources.
1. 315-340 W. Prospect Avenue (1870-1942)
   315-340 W. Prospect Ave. (SRHP 8-24-01/NRHP 8-24-01)
2. Fox River Paper Company (1833, 1888-1893)
   101, 111, 121 E. Water St. and 405 & 415 S. Olde Oneida St. (SRHP 1-23-90/NRHP 4-19-90)
3. College Avenue (1857-1932)
   215 W. to 109 E. and 110 W. to 102 E. College Ave.; 121 S. Oneida St. (SRHP 1-18-89/NRHP 12-2-82)
4. City Park
   Roughly bound by E. Washington, N. Durkee, E. Atlantic and N. Lawe Streets (SRHP 7-19-02/NRHP 10-25-02)
5. a, b. Appleton Lock 4 (1907-1941)
   Roughly along the Fox River at Banta Ct. and John St. (SRHP 4-10-92/NRHP 12-7-93)
5. a, b, c. Appleton Locks 1-3 (1884-1941)
   Roughly along the Fox River from Memorial Dr. to Lawe St. (SRHP 4-10-92/NRHP 12-7-93)
6. a, b. If we wish to have a future with greater meaning, we must concern ourselves with the total heritage of the nation and all that is worth preserving from our past as a living part of the present.
   With Heritage So Rich, 1966

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