

## MINUTES

**COMMISSION:**     **Historic Preservation**                    **DATE:**                    **September 24, 2009**

**MEETING:**        **Regular**    **CALLED TO ORDER:**        **7:33 p.m.**

**QUOROM:**         **Yes**    **ADJOURNMENT:**            **8:45 p.m.**

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

**Present:** Chairman Marks, Commissioners Cooper, Ford, Janninck, Loftus, Manak and Wright.

**Excused:**                    Commissioner Perkins.

**Also in attendance:** Staff Liaison Kristen Denney and Trustee Liaison Ladesic.

**1. Call to Order –**

Chairman Marks called the Village of Glen Ellyn’s Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. in the Civic Center at 535 Duane Street.

**2. Approval of July 23, 2009 Minutes –**

The minutes of the July 23, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Manak made a motion seconded by Commissioner Loftus to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2009 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. Old Business –**

Old business was not discussed.

**4. New Business –**

**A. Landmarking Discussion – GWHS/Duchon Field; Lake Ellyn/Glen Ellyn Boat House –**

Chairman Marks reported on his brief meeting with Village President Pfefferman regarding landmarking and discussed how landmarking a public building was not new, pointing to past experience such as the landmarking of the mural in the downtown post office. There was then a lengthy discussion regarding the amount of time that has passed since the Commission recommended landmarking of Glenbard West High School (GWHS) (including Duchon Field) and Lake Ellyn (including the park and boat house). The Ordinance language addressing the process was discussed, along with the notice of Preliminary Determination. Staff Liaison Denney confirmed

that a letter had not been sent to the property owners of the nominated landmarks, as required in the Ordinance. Commissioners noted that they are in non-compliance with the Village Code as a result. Denney stated that she would update the Commission on the status of the landmarking nominations as more information becomes available.

**B. Yalding House Update –**

The Commission discussed the Yalding house, the historic home that was dismantled and placed in storage awaiting a permanent site. Possibilities for what remains of the house – supporting timbers and one wall – were discussed. One possibility discussed was use in reconstruction of buildings at Garfield Farm Museum in LaFox, Illinois (just west of Geneva). Keeping some cuts of the wood for display at the History Center was also discussed. After further discussion, the Commission approved the following motion: Commissioner Wright motioned, seconded by Commissioner Manak that if a party that has historic intent is interested in acquiring material of the Yalding house to be used for non-commercial purposes (minus a small amount to be retained by the Village for education) then the property should be donated to the party. Motion passed unanimously.

**C. Historic Baker Farm House Discussion –**

Chairman Marks reported on the Baker Farm House which is located near Glen Crest Middle School. There was discussion regarding whether this property would be subject to the Village Code, more specifically, whether it could be landmarked by the Village considering it is located in unincorporated Glen Ellyn. It was noted that DuPage County is also discussing creating landmark procedures.

**D. Other –**

None.

**5. Historical Society Business –**

Commissioner Wright reported on the next big event – Tavern Day – scheduled for the last Sunday in September.

**6. Chairman's Report –**

None.

**7. Trustee Liaison's Report –**

None.

**8. Staff Liaison's Report –**

Staff Liaison Denney reminded the Commission of the upcoming neighborhood meeting regarding the two most recently completed Architectural Resource Surveys. The meeting will occur at 7:00 p.m. on October 7, 2009 at the Lake Ellyn Boat House, and will include a presentation by Victoria Granacki, Principal of Granacki Historic Consultants.

**9. Adjournment –**

At 8:45 p.m., Commissioner Manak made a motion seconded by Commissioner Ford that the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Monica Miller, Historic Preservation Commission Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,  
Kristen Denney, Historic Preservation Commission Staff Liaison