

BOARD/COMMISSION: Historic Preservation

**DATE: July
28, 2011**

MEETING: Regular

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:38 p.m.

QUORUM: Yes

ADJOURNED: 9:03 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Chairman Marks,
Commissioners Loftus,
Kummerer, Janninck, Manak and
Wilson

LOCATION: Glen Ellyn Civic Center

ABSENT: Commissioners Isaac

EXUSED: Commissioner
Salamunovich, Trustee Liaison
McGinley

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew
Letson, Staff Liaison

1. Call to Order

Chairman Marks called the Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. on July 28, 2011.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 23, 2011 of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Chairman Marks stated the minutes from June 23, 2011 were presented to the Commission for approval. Commissioner Loftus motioned for the approval of the minutes from June 23, 2011 as amended. Commissioner Janninck seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments

None

4. Old Business

None

5. New Business

A. Discussion of Downtown Historic District Nomination

Chairman Marks provided a summary of last month's discussion and stated that information has been sent to the IHPA for review of the proposed district. He stated that the Village should talk to Springfield to determine if the HPC should continue to pursue the nomination of the downtown for a place on the National Register of Historic Places. General discussion took place over the next steps of the process.

B. Discussion of Lights at Memorial Field Resolution

Chairman Marks provided information regarding this agenda item and stated that the HPC could only discuss the effect the lights would have on the character surrounding neighborhood. Commissioner Manak stated that the installation of the lights could have a serious impact on the ambiance of the surrounding neighborhood. General discussion took place between the commissioners over the lighting issue and commissioners expressed their opinions on if the Commission should take a stance on this item. Commissioner Manak discussed a draft resolution that could be voted on and forwarded to both the Plan Commission and Board of Trustees. The Commission reviewed the draft resolution and offered minor changes before it was voted on.

Commissioner Manak motioned for the approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Glen Ellyn Historic Preservation Commission, after due consideration of all aspects of the issues involved, **OPPOSES** the installation of 80 foot light towers (or substantially similar towers) and the use of any sound system at Memorial Field for the following reasons:

1. They will have a negative impact on the historic nature of the neighborhood and community, including residential and business, by the widespread intrusion of intense light, noise and traffic congestion;
2. Said effect will impact the historic aspects of the surrounding neighborhood and community as recognized in Section 2-13 of the Glen Ellyn Village Code:
 - (a) adversely effecting the architectural, cultural, economic, historic and social nature of the neighborhood and community; and
 - (b) adversely effecting the unique location and distinctive physical appearance or presence representing the established and familiar visual features of the neighborhood and surrounding community.

Motion made by Commissioner James P. Manak. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nicole Janninck. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Discussion of Ackerman House on St. Charles

Chairman Marks noted that someone was potentially interested in purchasing the property and not tear down the house. He stated that he would keep the Commission up to date.

D. Discussion of the Stone House

Commissioners discussed their displeasure with the Village Board's decision to tear down the Stone House located at 816 N. Main Street. Chairman Marks described the discussion that took place at the previous Village Board meeting. Commissioner Loftus mentioned that he wished he could save the building, however the Village Board had made up their mind.

E. Discussion of Widening of Hawthorne

Not discussed.

F. Other?

Guest Linda Gilbert, President of Citizens for Glen Ellyn Preservation, discussed the potential tear down of the McKee Buildings located in Churchill Woods. She discussed the historical aspects of the buildings and the work planned to save the buildings. General discussion took place over the possibility of saving the buildings and alternatives for the remodeling to take place and to cut costs on the project.

6. Historical Society Business

No report was given.

7. Chairman's Report

No report was given.

8. Trustee Liaison's Report

No report was given.

9. Staff Liaison's Report

Mr. Letson reported that this would be his last meeting as the staff liaison to the HPC. He thanked all of the commissioners and stated a new liaison would be in attendance at next month's meeting. He also briefed the Commission on the situation at the College of DuPage. He stated the situation is ongoing and is going through the court system, he would make sure the new staff liaison would keep the Commission updated a new information becomes available.

10. Confirmation of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

Chairman Marks stated the next meeting will take place on August 25, 2011.

With no further business, Chairman Marks asked for a motion to conclude the meeting. Commissioner Manak motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Loftus seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Submitted by: Chris Ragona, Recording Secretary
Reviewed by: Andrew Letson, Staff Liaison