

## MINUTES

**BOARD/COMMISSION:** Historic Preservation

**DATE:** 9/25/14

**MEETING:** Regular

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:38 p.m.

**QUORUM:** Yes

**ADJOURNED:** 8:33 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Glen Ellyn Civic Center

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Marks, Commissioners Christiansen, Dieter, Manak, Wilson

**EXCUSED:** Commissioners Fisher, Loftus, Saliamonas, Schreiber, Student  
Commissioner Davis

**ALSO PRESENT:** Planning Intern Parisi,  
Trustee Liaison McGinley, Recording  
Secretary Solomon

### **1. Call to Order**

Chairman Marks called the Glen Ellyn Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting to order at 7:38 p.m., in the Civic Center at 535 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

### **2. Approval of May 22, 2014 and August 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Manak moved to approve the minutes of May 22, 2014, and Commissioner Christiansen seconded. This motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

Chairman Marks and Commissioner Manak pointed out corrections. Commissioner Manak moved to approve the amended minutes of August 28, 2014, and Commissioner Christiansen seconded. This motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

### **3. Public Comments**

None

### **4. Old Business**

None

### **5. New Business**

## **A. Restoration and Remodel Awards**

Commissioner Christiansen pointed out a spelling error on the updated award copy page. Commissioner Manak stated there should be a change to the Architectural Details Award copy as it should say, "...exterior detail element of a home, building or a property in a manner..." Commissioner Manak asked how soon the residents would see these changes, and Ms. Parisi stated the updated awards will be in the November newsletter and on the website soon.

Commissioner Manak moved to approve the amended wording for the Annual Historic Preservation Commission Awards Program document, and Commissioner Christiansen seconded. This motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

## **B. OPUS Development Project – 400 Main Street**

Trustee McGinley stated a Village Board Workshop has been added to October 6, 2014, as financial and TIF (Tax Incremental Financing) consultants will discuss the OPUS project as well as the Next Generation project. She stated both companies are looking for financial agreements from the Village before going forward with these projects. She stated the architectural pieces will not be seen before the financing pieces are in place.

Chairman Marks stated he spoke at the September 22<sup>nd</sup> Village Board Workshop and said that he is disappointed in the building design of the Next Generation project as it does not look like a Glen-Ellyn building. He stated he did receive a letter from Village President Demos. Chairman Marks asked if the Village Board has read *Older, Smaller, Better: Measuring how the Character of Buildings and Blocks Influences Vitality*. Trustee McGinley stated she did not think the Board has read this yet and would encourage them to do so.

Chairman Marks stated the commission needs to give their input on architectural design to which Trustee McGinley stated the HPC will be able to do this when these projects come before the Architectural Review Commission. Chairman Marks stated President Demos said the HPC will have input into the architectural designs.

Commissioner Dieter asked if the Village could purchase these properties instead and develop the properties on their own to which Trustee McGinley stated the Village has not done this in the past.

Chairman Marks stated that heritage tourism is extremely important for business in the downtown Historic Districts. He stated he wants to ensure these project discussions are publicized widely so the residents know about them. Commissioner Dieter stated the commission could do more targeted publicity to the community about these project discussions. Chairman Marks stated these discussions should be done as public meetings since they are major transitions, and Trustee McGinley stated she would suggest this.

### **C. Landmarks Illinois Historical Tax Credit Workshop**

The letter for the potential Historic Tax Credit Workshop was reviewed, and changes were made as Landmarks Illinois will be unable to conduct this workshop. Chairman Marks stated Lara Ramsey's sister Emily does do these workshops around the state, and Ms. Parisi will contact Emily to see how her name should be used in the letter as well as timing for this workshop. Lara Ramsey works for Granacki Historic Consultants and will be taking over the business in the near future.

### **6. Historical Society Business**

Chairman Marks stated Tavern Days will be Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Stacy's Tavern.

### **7. Chairman's Report**

Commissioner Wilson stated she is on Civic Betterment, and they are currently looking for candidates for Village Trustee and Library Board Trustee. She stated she thinks the Town Hall meeting for the candidates will be on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **8. Trustee Liaison's Report**

Trustee Liaison McGinley stated the mayor and mayor's wife from the Village's sister city Le Bouscat, France, will be visiting on September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **9. Staff Report**

Ms. Parisi stated she will check on any new homes for possible landmarking.

### **10. Confirmation of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment**

Chairman Marks stated the next meeting will take place on Thursday, October 23, 2014, at 7:30 p.m.

With no further business, Chairman Marks asked for a motion of adjournment. Commissioner Manak motioned for adjournment, and Commissioner Wilson seconded. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Submitted by: Debbie Solomon, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by: Lauren Parisi, Planning Intern