MINUTES

Historic Preservation Commission September 1, 2016

City Hall, 100 W. Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, IL

1) Call to Order

L. Atwood called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2) Roll Call/Attendance

The following Commission members were present: LeeAnn Atwood, Lisa Solak, Bob Wyman and Jim Wyman. Sarah Jackowiak and Diana Kenney were absent. Staff member Elizabeth Maxwell was present. Brice Alt and Hamilton Hale were in the audience.

3) Public Comment

No public comment.

4) Approval of Minutes of the August 4, 2016 Special Meeting

L. Atwood made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2016 regular meeting with noted corrections. J. Wyman seconded the motion. On voice vote all members voted aye. Motion passed.

5) New Member Discussion

The commission reviewed the application from Hamilton Hale. Mr. Hale was present at the meeting. He provided some background information about himself and his family. He has many ties to the area and loves Crystal Lake. L. Atwood explained the mission of the HPC and the projects that they work on through the year. J. Wyman made a motion to recommend Hamilton Hale as a commission member to the City Council. B. Wyman seconded the motion. On voice vote all members voted aye. Motion passed. The recommendation will be passed on to the City Council for their vote.

6) 2017 Trolley Tour

B. Alt stated that other boat tour companies like the one at Lake Geneva and the Ducks cannot bring their boats to Crystal Lake. This means the Commission would need to rely on private pontoon boats. L. Atwood noted that there could be a big liability issue, as well as, difficulty getting into the boats for the older attendees.

The Commission discussed going south and starting at the Dole Mansion. B. Wyman stated that after the invoice fiasco he is looking into other trolley car companies for next year. The Commission thought they did the Lakewood area back in 2010 and it was a really good tour. L. Atwood suggested that each commission member take their 2010 tour book and drive around the area looking for interesting properties. L. Atwood will contact the Lakeside Legacy Arts Park and reserve the date for their event.

7) Member Inquiries and Reports

B. Alt stated the architectural firm he works for was contacted to put together a proposal to install an elevator at the Dole Mansion. While there he noticed that the brickwork needs repair.

B. Alt was house-hunting and saw an old house on the lake between North Shore and Edgewater. Inside the house was a trap door which led down to the crawl space. Once inside the floor dropped down deeper allowing a person to stand and that was the original stone foundation of the

house. It appears that they built this new house over the top of that original foundation. It was an interesting find.

B. Wyman said that the plaque was hung on the Raue Theatre.

It was noted that Sarah Jackowiak gave her resignation. She enjoyed working with the commission, but with the new baby she needed more time at home.

The Commission noted that there would be several absences at the October meeting. They wanted to move the meeting to October 13th. L. Atwood voted to move the October meeting to the 13th. L. Solak seconded the motion. On voice vote all members voted aye. Motion passed.

8) Adjournment

There being no further business L. Atwood made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. L. Solak seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members voted aye.