

**MINUTES**  
**Historic Preservation Commission**  
**December 7, 2017**  
**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, Diana Kenney, Ron Scherf, Lisa Solak, Bob Wyman and Jim Wyman. Staff member Elizabeth Maxwell was present.

**3) Public Comment**

No public comment.

**4) Approval of Minutes of the October 5, 2017 Regular Meeting**

D. Kenney made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2017 regular meeting. L. Solak seconded the motion. On voice vote all members voted aye. Motion passed.

**5) Grant Disbursement for 36 N. Virginia Street – Alano Club**

Jack Glynn with the Alano Club gave a brief description of the work that has taken place so far. All the mortar is being mixed by hand on site, which has taken a long time. They replaced the window sills that were a variety of limestone or concrete with cedar sills, which are more historically accurate for the period. They put the new vinyl windows on the inside for energy efficiency, but the appearance with the historic windows on the outside still remains. Each cedar window enclosure is being custom built on site to fit the unique shape of the building's exterior. They will continue improving the building including removing the exterior electrical conduit. All the funds have been raised through Chicago Foundation, Woodstock Foundation, the Rotary and the McHenry County Metal Health Board. They recently received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from McHenry County Planning and Development that would fund the remainder of the restoration.

D. Kenney said she is very appreciative of the attention of detail and work they have done. This house is very important to Crystal Lake's history and the work the Alano Club does is very important for the community. She was very happy to be able to support this grant. D. Kenney stated this is such a good project for the community to restore the building in the manner they are. L. Atwood encouraged them to apply for additional funding for 2019 when they complete another phase.

D. Kenney made a motion to approve the disbursement of the \$500 grant funds to Alano Club for the restoration work outlined in their recent phase. B. Wyman seconded the motion. On voice vote all members voted aye. No members opposed. Motion passed.

**6) 2018 Trolley Tour**

D. Kenney presented the photos and notes about the November 4<sup>th</sup> neighborhood drive. The commission reviewed the proposed properties and selected the houses they thought about researching. J. Wyman presented some information he was able to find about the area and a few of the properties. L. Solak agreed to put together a spreadsheet listing the houses and their assigned researcher.

L. Atwood left the meeting at 8:15 pm.

**7) Member Inquiries and Reports**

E. Maxwell explained that staff had met with the owners of 621 Leonard Parkway. She has encouraged them to save the house and preserve its historic integrity. The owners are looking to demo the structure and construct a new house or do an addition onto the existing house.

E. Maxwell also stated that 431 McHenry Avenue would be demolished. The commission members will reach out to get into the house to take photographs or any historically significant items.

D. Kenney stated that one of the former commission members Joan Sanders passed away. She was instrumental with keeping the commission together during the Dole Mansion fight.

J. Wyman stated that he will draft the minutes from the November 4<sup>th</sup> driving tour.

**8) Adjournment**

There being no further business J. Wyman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. L. Solak seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members voted aye.