MINUTES

Historic Preservation Commission October 7, 2010

Municipal Complex, 100 W. Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, IL

I. Call to Order

Chairman Alt called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

II. Roll Call/Attendance

The following commission members were present: Brice Alt, Bob Wyman, Sandy Price, Tom Nemcek and Diana Kenney. Member LeeAnn Atwood arrived at 7:08 and Member Michelle Rozovics arrived at 7:15. Staff member Elizabeth Maxwell was present.

III. Public Comment

There was no one in the public who wished to comment.

IV. Approval of Minutes of the September 2, 2010 Regular Meeting

Member Nemcek moved to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2010 regular meeting. Member Kenney seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members present voted aye, Member Alt abstained. Motion passed.

V. Main Street Design Committee – Joint discussion re: proposed Historic District Member Kenney stated that this discussion should be postponed until after the holidays. The Main Street Design Committee is busy working on holiday decorations and events.

VI. Wyman Certificate of Appropriateness and Façade Grant

Member Wyman explained his request to renovate three of his windows. He will have the sills replaced this fall then complete the re-glazing, re-roping and weather stripping next spring. Member Wyman explained that his house has new windows and original historic windows. These three windows are the original historic windows and he would like to preserve them. The Commission agreed that this was a worthwhile project. Member Kenney made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the window restoration at 135 College Street. Member Nemcek seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members present voted aye, Member Wyman abstained. Motion passed.

Member Kenney made a motion to approve the Façade Grant request for reimbursement as a 50/50 match up to \$500.00 for the project. Member Wyman explained that the total project is estimated to cost \$1,550.00 and that he will spend \$390.00 this fall on the sills and the remainder next spring. He will submit for the reimbursement after the completion of the project next spring. Member Nemcek seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members present voted aye, Member Wyman abstained. Motion passed.

VII. Proposed Ordinance changes

Staff has made the final corrections to the Façade Grant Application. Member Kenney asked if anything needed to go before the City Council. Staff member Maxwell said that yes the actual changes to the Ordinance will go before City Council for adoption. She would notify the Commission on what date the item would be heard by the Council.

VIII. 87 Elmhurst Landmark Designation

Member Nemcek gave a brief summary about the tax information that he found. The original Lot 7 was subdivided into 4 lots and each one had a house built on it. This

house was built by Hilding M. Olson in 1927. Member Kenney said she found a building permit from November 1927 which coincides with the increase in tax for the lots. Member Kenney also shared information she found on the family. The Commission discussed allowing a homeowner to do their own research, but that the Commission would verify everything before the house was plaqued. The Commission asked staff member Maxwell to ask the City Council what the appropriate course of action is and then the Commission will chart a course for correcting this landmark designation. Member Alt said that he would go and talk with the current owners of the house to explain the historic landmark designation and the need to re-plaque the house.

IX. Member Inquiries and Reports

Member Kenney and Member Price provided details of the upcoming Colonel Palmer House Dearly Departed (Victorian Mourning Rituals) event that will be held on Oct 22 and 23. The information will be emailed out so other commission members can send it to those who may be interested and staff can put it on the website. Member Kenney also provided information about the Candlelight Tour.

The Commission discussed the start time since a few member have a hard time arriving at 7:00 pm. The consensus was to leave the start time at 7:00 pm.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, Member Kenney moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Member Wyman seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted aye. Motion passed.