

MINUTES
Historic Preservation Commission
July 7, 2011
Municipal Complex, 100 W. Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, IL

1) Call to Order

Chair Alt called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

2) Roll Call/Attendance

The following Commission members were present: Brice Alt, Diana Kenney, Austin Taylor, and Michelle Rozovics. Staff member Elizabeth Maxwell was present. Linda Spencer was also in attendance. Tom Nemcek, LeeAnn Atwood and Robert Wyman were absent.

3) Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4) Approval of Minutes of the June 2, 2011 Regular Meeting

Chairman Alt noted that item 5 regarding the Crystal Lake Historical Society Donation Request incorrectly noted the vote. Chair Alt moved to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2011 regular meeting with the changes noted. Member Kenney seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passed.

5) Bauer House Certificate of Appropriateness and Façade Grant request

Member Kenney had a slide show that she wanted to present. The Commission wanted to wait in case the Shultzs came to the meeting. They deferred this item to a later time in the meeting.

6) Landmark Discussion – 927 Northshore Drive

Member Kenney felt that the commission could not discuss this item since they did not have a formal application. Chair Alt commented that the commission should provide feedback to the property owner to let them know that they were on the right track. Member Kenney stated that the property owners are planning on attending the August HPC meeting and the commission can discuss the item then.

Member Kenney asked about large homes being built on lake lots that go lot line to lot line. Staff member Maxwell explained that there are setback requirements and most likely the houses would need to remain 7-feet from one interior side yard and 11-feet from the other interior side yard. Though an existing accessory structure like a detached garage could remain along the street frontage and not meet those setbacks.

5) Bauer House Certificate of Appropriateness and Façade Grant request

The Commission came back to this item. Member Kenney provided background on the Bauer Family, noting that this was originally Arwin Bauer's house and his granddaughter Elaine was featured in, or likely took most of the photos she was going to present. Member Kenney explained that some Bauer family decedents presented a family photo album to Sandy Price, member of the Historical Society, at the Colonel Palmer House. Member Kenney scanned these photos and presented them to the Commission. The photos showed the Bauer Family's house on Dole Avenue, their gas stations, one of which was featured in this year's Moved and Removed Annual Heritage

Tour from Brink and Grant streets, and their old garage that was on Woodstock Street. There were also two photos that showed the Bauer family's old house. The Commission will be using archive records to try to determine where this house was located in Crystal Lake. Member Kenney stated that she made a CD copy of these photos for the Shultzs to keep and would stop by their home after the meeting to drop it off.

Member Kenney stated that the Shultzs want to replace asphalt with asphalt which is an approved improvement according to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Member Kenney moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness and Façade Grant request of \$500 for the roof replacement at the Bauer House. Chair Alt seconded the motion. On voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion passed.

7) Member Inquiries and Reports

The commission reviewed their budget information. They had made a motion earlier this year to allocate \$1500.00 this year towards grants and that was still a good number since the Shultz grant was the first this year. Member Kenney stated that the commission will be applying for Certified Local Government (CLG) grants in the fall for the trolley tour.

Member Kenney also reported from the Historical Society regarding the Union Soldier statue. She explained that another casting of the zinc rifle is needed and the one company that can do this may not be able to get it done in the upcoming months. A board meeting will be held in August at the Historical Society to discuss the timing of the Union Soldier rededication.

8) Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Alt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Member Kenney seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted aye. Motion passed.