

Kankakee County Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Summary of Minutes
February 4, 2008

Members Present:

Mardene Hinton	Elisabeth Dunbar
Dr. Jim Paul	Andrew Purcell
Ashley Lucas	Daron Kinzinger
John Adams	

Members Absent:

Terry Johnston

Quorum Present.

In Attendance:

Mike Van Mill	Mike Martin
Delbert Skimerhorn	Jeff Jarvis
Bob Hart	

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Mr. Jarvis.

No public comment.

Historic Preservation member and Planning Department staff introduced themselves.

Mr. Van Mill informed the Commission that over the last couple of years we have been working on organizing a County Wide Historic District and the importance of it, due to the adoption of the new 2006 Comp Plan which outline the environmental and cultural aspects of the County and encouraging the County to take some kind of action to preserve them.

Mr. Jarvis also stated that with the City of Kankakee and the Village of Bourbonnais having there own Historic Districts we would not over step their bounds, but other communities we may be able to work with them.

Election of Officers:

A motion was made by Mr. Purcell and seconded by Mrs. Hinton to nominate Ms. Dunbar as Chairman. A motion was made by Mr. Adams and seconded by Ms. Dunbar to close nominations. Motion carried to elect Ms. Dunbar as Chairman.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hinton and seconded by Mr. Adams to nominated Mr. Purcell as Vice-Chairman. A motion was made by Mr. Adams and seconded by Mrs. Hinton to close the nominations. Motion carried to elect Mr. Purcell as Vice-Chairman.

Presentation:

Catherine O'Connor from Illinois Historic Preservation was unable to make the meeting due to weather.

Amy Munro from Will County Historic Preservation gave a presentation on the workings of the Will County Historic Preservation and how it is working for them. PowerPoint is attached and information is also available from their website www.willcountylanduse.com.

Meeting Date/Time:

There was discussion on setting a regular meeting date and time. A motion was made by Mrs. Hinton and seconded by Mr. Kinzinger to set the meeting for the 1st Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Work Program:

For the County's ordinance we are using the sample from the State and making changes to fit what the County is expecting to accomplish. This will be discussed as a group once everyone has had a chance to review it.

There was discussion of the ninth seat that is still open. Names of interested persons should be asked to contact Mike Martin.

There was discussion on a developing a written plan for doing survey. There was a report done in 1977 that the Planning Department has on file and will be sent to the historic preservation members. There was also discussion on doing a windshield survey first and then maybe a more detailed survey on certain properties. This will be an ongoing agenda item.

New/Old Business:

None

The next meeting will be March 3, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Purcell and seconded by Mr. Kinzinger to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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