

Kankakee County Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Summary of Minutes
March 4, 2019

Members Present: Patricia Wagner (Chairman), John Adams, Shari Ebert, Mardene Hinton, Jane Johnson and Ron Shank.

Also Present:
Michelle Sadler

Members Absent:
Michael Donahue, Terry Johnston and Steve DePasquale

Quorum met.

Ms. Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room of the Kankakee County Building.

Public Comments:

None.

Minutes:

Minutes were approved for February 4, 2019. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Shank. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Ms. Sadler is still working on the Rules of Procedure. She is working to get the Paddock house on the agenda for a City Council meeting. She is also working on putting Perry Farm documentation on the website. The Resolution has been sent to the Foerster House owners as well as information about a Landmark Plaque.

CLG Grant:

- After some discussion it was decided that the commission will not apply for a Community Foundation Grant for 2019. The grant cycle does not correspond to our upcoming project.
- The application for the next CLG grant will be coming in this week. The project will be a survey of Momence Township and will include the part of the City of Momence that is East of Dixie Highway. This may take two grant periods to complete. Momence has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Kankakee County through the Certified Local Government.
- CAMP Training for commissioners (Ms. Johnson, Ms. Ebert and Mr. DePasquale) is being planned for May 11, 2019. The next step is to prepare a list to invite neighboring commissions or future commissioners. Ms. Johnson will work on this with Ms. Sadler. Ms. Ebert is arranging for the lunch for the training. All volunteer hours will be documented.

Committee Reports:

- Architectural Review: A discussion of the Paddock House public hearing took place. The training for our public hearing was very beneficial to the commission. Rodney Schwark farm is on hold. The Wadleigh Farmstead is still working on the Landmark Nomination form. The Longpre House in Momence is still in the works and the Rosenboom farm is still on the list.

Ms. Hinton passed out copies of p.95 of the Pilot Township Survey which is a list of sites with potential for local landmark status. The commissioners all agreed that the first one on the list – the Chatfield-Dahn Farmstead – is endangered. Ms. Hinton will compose a letter to send to all these property owners to see if they are interested in this process.

For the Sears Homes project, Ms. Hinton passed out a list of the Sears Homes in the county that have been identified so far. They are listed by address and model name.

The Courthouse Landscaping project is still in the planning stages.

- Education/Program: This committee will begin to use the power point program going forward in promoting the work of the commission. We will check into doing a presentation in Herscher, not to the council, but as a public meeting probably at the Anderson House. This committee will also carry on the cemetery work as the weather improves.

Old Business:

- Preserve America Program – still in the works.
- Village of Herscher Meeting – Education Committee is working on this.
- The Annual Report has been sent to the County Board.

New Business:

- The commission is considering working on an intergovernmental agreement with Aroma Park.

Next Meeting:

Monday, April 1, 2019 at 4 p.m.

Adjournment:

Ms. Hinton made a motion to adjourn at 5:15 p.m. Mr. Shank seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Johnson, Secretary