

Kankakee County Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Summary of Minutes
May 3, 2010

Members Present:

Elisabeth Dunbar Mardene Hinton Daron Kinzinger Andrew Purcell
Dr. Jim Paul

Members Absent:

Terry Johnston John Adams Patricia Wagner Ashley Lucas

Quorum Present.

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. by Ms. Dunbar.

No public comment.

Approval of Minutes – October 5, 2009:

Motion was made by Ms. Hinton to approve the October 5, 2009 minutes. Dr. Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Historic Landmark Nomination:

- Danforth House
 - Ms. Dunbar presented the prequalification at the last meeting. A change to the prequalification would be that it be classified as a Building. Ms. Dunbar also past out pictures of the home. The small structure is a well house built in 1842. Interior is stone walls. There is only one original window in the home and she plans on replacing the windows, but would take some time.
 - General discussion ensued about whether this should go forward at this time.
 - Ms. Hinton suggested getting guidance from the State level on how they would handle a house like the Danforth House.
 - Prequalification was tabled for information from the State.

Communication/Marketing:

- City of Kankakee Historic Preservation Commission
 - No activity to date.
- Wright in Kankakee:
 - Thomas Heinz will be at the Kankakee Library on June 8th at 7 p.m. for a speech. Mr. Heinz will be here for 3 day, lots of activities plan for him. He is interested in helping with the project. There will also be items from the stable house for sale and Mr. Heinz books will be available.

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- The committee is continuing to negotiations on turning over the house. Still in need of donations.
- Education Committee:
 - No questions were received from the State on the article for *The Commissioner*. So as far as we know the article is good to go for the Summer Issue.
 - When the new web-site for the Planning Department is up and running will be working on getting the link from the web-site to the Google map and inputting the information to Google.

Old Business:

- Reminder to keep working on updating the old township survey.

New Business:

- Gail Wallace from Restoration Works is offering a tour for the Commission of her facility. Ms. Wallace restores old windows in historic buildings. Packet was handed out about Restoration Works. Possibly add Restoration Works website link (www.restorationworksinc.com) to our website and help get information out there about the importance of windows in historic buildings.
- On June 18 and 19 in Crystal Lake is the Annual Historic Preservation Seminar. Registration is \$30.
- Dr. Paul asked about possible designation of the Perry Farm House and the Letourneau Home for County Landmark Status. It is believed that the Perry Farm House has State and National Status. Working on verifying that information.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be June 14, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. Please note that the July meeting will be on the 12th.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Approved 9/13/10

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