

Kankakee County Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Summary of Minutes
May 4, 2009

Members Present:

Mardene Hinton	John Adams	Elisabeth Dunbar	Ashley Lucas
Andrew Purcell	Dr. Jim Paul	Patricia Wagner	

Members Absent:

Daron Kinzinger	Terry Johnston
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Quorum Present.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Ms. Dunbar.

No public comment.

Approval of Minutes:

No minutes to approve at this time.

Work Program:

A. CLG Status:

- Ms. Dunbar talk to Catherine O'Connor and everything was in order, should be hearing about the CLG soon. She also informed Ms. Dunbar that there is Grant to help with CLG work, for example survey work.

B. County Survey:

- After some discussion it was determined that the best way of putting the survey together is paper review after all the information is received on the sites we can then prioritize the properties.
- Ms. Lucas stated that there is a Google feature that you can share information with others. Need to set up an email account.
- Need to break down the properties by period, architecture, etc.
- Ms. Dunbar would like to get 2 nominations by the next meeting.
- Mr. Purcell asked about joint status on Court House. Ms. Hinton stated that the County can nominate and declare landmark status as long as the City has already declared landmark status. Ms. Hinton will work on the paperwork to nominate the Court House.

C. Intergovernmental Agreement:

- No update on the agreements at this time.
- Ms. Loftus from Momence would like to look into entering into an agreement with the County.

Communication/Marketing

- After some discussion the following were some marketing ideas for Court House Celebration:
 - Save the Date to Phil Angelo at the Daily Journal;

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- Ms. Wagner to work with Convention and Visitors Bureau;
- Flyers on Domino Pizza boxes;
- Flyer to historic preservation commissions to include in newsletter or mailing;
- Include on the information on the County web-site.

Wright in Kankakee (updated by Ms. Hinton):

- Name of project changed from Bradley House to Wright in Kankakee.
- Mr. Thomas Heinz has agreed to come to the fundraising event. Still need to finalize a date for the event, possibly July 17 & 18. Private tour and dinner reception on a Friday. Public tours on Saturday morning and move to public library for book signing and small silent auction in the afternoon. It would be a good weekend since there are several other activities in the area that weekend.

Courthouse Centennial Celebration:

- Mr. Purcell stated that Chief Judge Elliott and the Sheriff see no problems with having the celebration at the Court House.
- There is a meeting coming up to put together ideas.
- Already have a few items for the silent auction, would like theme items however it doesn't have to be.
- Need to come up with a budget for the celebration, so everyone knows what to expect.
- Sunday event we would like to have choirs, tours inside the Court House and walking tours of the ground.
- Save the Date postcard needs to be mailed out as soon as possible.

Old Business:

- Grant Park House Update:
 - Ms. Dunbar asked Representative Dugan to look into the situation. Ann Hacker did not receive Ms. Dunbar's email, but understands the situation now and will approve the demolition permit. Anything historically significant will be salvaged. The well house on the site will not be removed.

New Business:

- None

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting will be June 1, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Approved 1/4/10

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