

KENDALL COUNTY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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AGENDA

September 17, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Elizabeth Flowers, Kristine Heiman (Chairman), Sarah Herbig, Melissa Maye, and Jeff Wehrli (Vice-Chairman)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of Minutes of the August 20, 2018 Meeting (Pages 2-5)

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement Between the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District and the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Millbrook Bridge Removal Project Located in Kendall County, Illinois (Pages 6-12)
2. Review and Recommendation on Article II The Historic Preservation Commission Section of the Historic Preservation Ordinance (Pages 13-19)
3. Discussion of Awards for Historic Preservation (Pages 20-35)
4. Discussion of Social Media Campaign
5. Discussion of Doing a Meeting with Other Historic Preservation Organizations
 - a. Discussion of Prospective Speakers (Pages 36-37)
 - b. Discussion of Prospective Invitees (Page 38)
 - c. Other Meeting Logistics (Page 39)

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: Next Meeting-October 15, 2018

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KENDALL COUNTY
Historic Preservation Commission
Kendall County Office Building
Rooms 209 & 210
111 W. Fox Street, Yorkville, Illinois
6:30 p.m.
August 20, 2018-Unofficial Until Approved

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Kristine Heiman called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Chairwoman Heiman welcomed new Commissioner Sarah Herbik.

ROLL CALL

Present: Elizabeth Flowers, Kristine Heiman, Sarah Herbik, and Jeff Wehrli

Absent: Melissa Maye

Also present: Matt Asselmeier, Senior Planner and Jasmine Brown Watkins, Office Assistant

In the Audience: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wehrli, to approve the agenda as presented. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wehrli, to approve the minutes from August 2, 2018, special meeting. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Kristine as Chairwoman of the Historic Preservation Commission

Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wehrli, approve Kristine Heiman as Chairwoman of the Historic Preservation Commission. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Jeff Wehrli as Vice Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission

Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Herbik, to approve Jeff Wehrli as Vice Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement Between the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District and the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Millbrook Bridge Removal Project Located in Kendall County, Illinois-Commission Could Also Refer the Matter to the State's Attorney Office

Mr. Wehrli asked why the proposal approval was being referred to the State's Attorney's Office. Mr. Asselmeier stated the approval was an agreement that the Historic Preservation Commission will be a concurring party.

If the Historic Preservation Commission wanted to amend the approval of the demolition, this was the time to add requirements like an interpretive marker. Chairwoman Heiman suggested putting a monument at the Millbrook Bridge. Mr. Wehrli questioned if the monument would need to be added to the agreement. Mr. Asselmeier responded that a monument requirement could be added to the agreement. Ms. Flowers stated, from her understanding, the monument would be placed by the Forest Preserve District. Chairwoman Heiman indicated that the Millbrook Bridge has a plaque stating when it was built and who built it; that plaque should be preserved. Ms. Flowers stated the Forest Preserve discussed the historical preservation of the bridge and the price for the monument would be around Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000). Mr. Wehrli stated the Historic Preservation Commission would highly recommend some sort of monument to commemorate the Millbrook Bridge and Chairwoman Heiman agreed. Ms. Flowers suggested there should be a mention of the existing plaque.

Ms. Herbig asked for a summary of the preservation efforts to save the Millbrook Bridge. Chairwoman Heiman stated the Millbrook Bridge was shut down in 2016 because it was deemed unsafe. Ms. Flowers stated that the Historic Preservation Commission had been trying to work with the Village of Millbrook, the Forest Preserve District, and other parties to restore the bridge. However, the financial resources were not available. The Historic Preservation Commission had conducted several studies on the viability of restoring the bridge versus demolishing the bridge. Ms. Flowers stated the bridge will be demolished. Ms. Herbig questioned how much it would cost to demolish the bridge. Ms. Flowers responded that it would cost approximately Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) to demolish and over One Point Four Million Dollars (\$1.4 Million) to restore the bridge for pedestrian use. Discussion occurred regarding previous grant opportunities.

Mr. Wehrli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Flowers, to request that the State's Attorney's Office review the agreement at the same time that they review the agreement between the Corps and Forest Preserve District, with the addition that the Historic Preservation Commission would like an interpretive piece placed near the bridge and to preserve the monument stating when the bridge was built and the party that constructed the bridge. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

Review and Recommendation on Article II-The Historic Preservation Commission Section of the Historic Preservation Ordinance

The consensus of the Commission was to lay this matter over to the next meeting in order to obtain Ms. Maye's legal opinion on the matter.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of Awards for Historic Preservation

Mr. Asselmeier provided information regarding Joliet's and Oswego's awards.

Ms. Herbig asked if the property has to be designed historic to receive an award. Chairwoman Heiman stated the Commission mailed letters to properties to be landmarked. However, they received no response from property owners.

Ms. Flowers suggested there should be an award for students involved in class projects. Mr. Wehrli suggested a category could be adaptive reuse of a building. Ms. Flowers mentioned a young man that takes pictures of buildings and compares them to older pictures of the same structure. Ms. Herbig suggested an genealogical related award.

Chairwoman Heiman recommended that the Historic Preservation Commission start bringing in different options for categories for the next meeting with the goal of having an application deadline at the end of February and awards ceremony in May. The awards ceremony should occur at the day County Board meeting.

Discussion occurred on who could submit applications. The consensus was that anyone could nominate a building or individual.

Mr. Wehrli recommended that each Commissioner bring in options for the categories for the next meeting. The other Commissioners agreed with this suggestion.

Ms. Herbig stated she would be open to lunches and dinners with the nominees and owners of historic properties.

Chairwoman Heiman mentioned the need for guidelines to judge submissions. Mr. Asselmeier stated that guidelines depend on the categories.

Commissioners agreed to bring in at least two (2) or three (3) nominee suggestions for the next meeting.

Discussion of Social Media Campaign

Chairwoman Heiman stated that most of the Commissioners did not have the time to monitor social media pages. Ms. Herbig stated she would have no problem doing it. Mr. Asselmeier explained she would have to adhere to applicable law if she is taking the responsibility of the page. Mr. Asselmeier explained what cannot be done; (i.e. interaction between members, deleting feedback or posts, etc.). Chairwoman Heiman stated it would great to have but it's a lot of work. Ms. Herbig suggested using Instagram. Mr. Asselmeier questioned if Instagram was ADA compliant and if not, Instagram cannot be used. Mr. Asselmeier will provide guidelines to Ms. Herbig.

Discussion of Doing a Meeting with Other Historic Preservation Organizations

Approval of a Rental Agreement Between LaSalle Manor Retreat Center and the Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission Allowing the Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission to Rent Meeting Space at LaSalle Manor for the February 13, 2019 Meeting with Other Historic Preservation Organizations at a Charge of Zero Dollars (\$0.00)

Mr. Wehrli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Flowers, to approve the contract, pending insurance approval, with an amendment changing the start time to 6:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. The change was made to allow for setup time for the meeting. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Prospective Speakers

The consensus of the Commission was to have a representative from LaSalle Manor speak and a representative from McHenry County speak. Following the presentations, group discussion would occur.

Discussion of Prospective Invitees

The Commission reviewed the invitee list. Ms. Herbig suggested inviting historians from Aurora University. The new executive director at the Farnsworth House would be added to the list. A representative from the save the jail group in Yorkville will be added to the list.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Flowers made a motion, Mr. Wehrli seconded by, to adjourn. With a voice vote of four (4) ayes, the motion carried. The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew H. Asselmeier, AICP
Senior Planner

Matt Asselmeier

From: Vollman, Brant J CIV USARMY CEMVR (US) [Brant.J.Vollman@usace.army.mil]
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2018 11:38 AM
To: David Guritz; Matt Asselmeier; Young, LaDonna; Jackie Lemmerhirt-Kowalski
Subject: 2018-0277 Draft MOA for Millbrook bridge...one more time! :-)
Attachments: 2018-0277 9-12 MOA.doc

Good morning,

If I could impose upon you all one more time... After a fairly extensive conversation with the IL SHPO office I believe that I may have worked out the kinks in the MOA.

Please review it one more time and see if we are all in agreement on the document.

Changes to look for -

- We have opted to remove the stipulation that a historic marker be erected at the location. This way we don't have to get so far down into the weeds on the details of the sign and have time frame that it must be completed within to meet the sunset on the MOA.

- We have also modified the recordation guidelines to be in line with the National Park Service rather than the state of IL guidelines are out of date.

I have also tried to catch and correct the spelling names and roles.

Thanks you for your time in reviewing the new document.

If you need any additional information or assistance please contact me at your convenience.

Thanks,

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**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,
ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT
AND THE
ILLINOIS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER
REGARDING THE
MILLBROOK BRIDGE REMOVAL PROJECT
LOCATED IN
KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District (District) proposes to grant a permit (CEMVR-OD-2018-0277) in accordance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1344) to the Kendall County Forest Preserve District to remove the Millbrook Bridge over the Fox River in Millbrook, Kendall County, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the Corps has consulted with the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(c)(1) and has come to an agreement on the project Area of Potential Effects (hereinafter, APE) pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(a)(1), (Appendix A); and,

WHEREAS, the District has defined the undertaking's area of potential effect (hereafter, "APE") as the Permit Area (see Appendix A) in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325, Appendix C; and,

WHEREAS, the Millbrook Bridge was determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places by the IL SHPO June 17, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the proposed demolition of the Millbrook Bridge constitutes an adverse effect; and,

WHEREAS, the SHPO concurred with the District's recommendations regarding the adverse effects to the Millbrook Bridge by letter dated September 11, 2018 (SHPO Log #007051717); and,

WHEREAS, the District has consulted with the Kendall County Forest Preserve District (Forest Preserve) regarding the effects of the Undertaking and has invited the Forest Preserve to sign this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) as a Concurring party; and,

WHEREAS, the District has determined, and SHPO concurs that the proposed demolition of the Millbrook Bridge constitutes an Adverse Effect; and

WHEREAS, all parties mutually agree that there is no prudent or feasible alternative to the project as originally proposed, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.6(a)(1), the District has notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) of its adverse effect determination with specified documentation and the ACHP has chosen *to / not to* participate in the consultation pursuant to 36CFR§ 800.6(a)(1)(iii); and

NOW, THEREFORE, the District and the Illinois SHPO agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

STIPULATIONS

I. TERMS

- A. The Corps shall ensure that issuance of Permit No. CEMVR-OD-P-2018-0277 to Kendall County Forest Preserve District is withheld until this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) has been executed by all signatories.
- B. The Millbrook Bridge will be documented in accordance with HIBS/HIER Standards and Guidelines. HIER No. for this documentation project will be: KE-2018-2. Specific Scope of Work for this project is as follows:
 - 1. Project area location map abstracted from appropriate 7.5 Minute USGS Quadrangle Map, submitted on 8.5 x 11” archival bond.
 - 2. Site Plan indicating footprint of the extant bridge, surrounding terrain features and other man-made features within a 200 yard radius of the bridge. Site plan presented on 8.5 x11” archival bond.
 - 3. Approximately ten (10) photographs of the subject bridge presenting approaches, elevations and superstructure / substructure elements.
 - 4. Written architectural /engineering description of the subject bridge.
 - 5. Narrative contextual histories.
 - a. Brief chronological context on the origins, development and functions of the Millbrook bridge;
- C. Submittal of 95% non-archival HIER documentation for SHPO review and comment prior to the submittal of 100% HIER documentation.

II. DURATION

This MOA will be null and void if its terms are not carried out within two (2) years from the date of its execution. Prior to such time, the Corps may consult with the other signatories to reconsider the terms of the MOA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation IV below.

III. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Should any signatory or concurring party to this MOA object at any time to any actions proposed or the manner in which the terms of this MOA are implemented, the Corps shall consult with such party to resolve the objection. If the Corps determines that such objection cannot be resolved, the Corps will:

A. Forward all documentation relevant to the dispute, including the Corps' proposed resolution, to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). The ACHP shall provide the Corps with its advice on the resolution of the objection within thirty (30) days of receiving adequate documentation. Prior to reaching a final decision on the dispute, the Corps shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely advice or comments regarding the dispute from the ACHP, signatories and concurring parties, and provide them with a copy of this written response. The Corps will then proceed according to its final decision.

B. If the ACHP does not provide its advice regarding the dispute within the thirty (30) day time period, the Corps may make a final decision on the dispute and proceed accordingly. Prior to reaching such a final decision, the Corps shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely comments regarding the dispute from the signatories and concurring parties to the MOA, and provide them and the ACHP with a copy of such written response.

C. The District's responsibility to carry out all other actions subject to the terms of this MOA that are not the subject of the dispute remain unchanged.

IV. AMENDMENTS

This MOA may be amended when such an amendment is agreed to in writing by all signatories. The amendment will be effective on the date a copy signed by all of the signatories is filed with the ACHP.

V. TERMINATION

If any signatory to this MOA determines that its terms will not or cannot be carried out,

that party shall immediately consult with the other parties to attempt to develop an amendment per Stipulation IV, above. If within thirty (30) days an amendment cannot be reached, any signatory may terminate the MOA upon written notification to the other signatories.

Once the MOA is terminated, and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, the Corps must either (a) execute an MOA pursuant to 26 CFR § 800.6 or (b) request, take into account and respond to the comments of the ACHP under 36 CFR § 800.7. The Corps shall notify the signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.

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CONCURRING PARTIES:

Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission

_____ Date _____

Ms. Kristine Heiman

Chairwoman

Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission

Appendix A
Definition of the Project Area of Potential Effects

ARTICLE II

THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

1. ORGANIZATION

A) *Appointment.* The Kendall County Board shall by ordinance appoint members to the Kendall County Preservation Commission from names submitted by the County Board Chair.

B) *Composition.* The Preservation Commission shall consist of five (5) members. All members shall be residents of Kendall County. The County Board Chair shall make a reasonable effort to nominate to the Preservation Commission at least one (1) attorney, one (1) historian or architectural historian, one (1) architect/engineer, and one (1) real estate professional knowledgeable in historic preservation; the other members shall be persons with a demonstrated interest in pre-history, history, or architecture. Commission vacancies shall be posted in a newspaper of general circulation within the county and on the county internet website. Included in the five (5) voting members, the County Board may appoint one of their members or staff to serve as a voting member of the Commission and liaison to the County Board (Amended 2.21.17).

C) *Terms.* Members shall serve for three year terms. All ex officio members shall serve the term of their elected or appointed office. All members shall serve until their successors are appointed. Vacancies shall be filled by the Kendall County Board from names submitted by the County Board Chair (Amended 2.21.17).

(55 ILCS 5/5-30012) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-30012)
Sec. 5-30012. Appointment of preservation commission. The county board may by ordinance appoint a preservation commission from names submitted by the presiding officers of the county board. The preservation commission shall consist of at least five members. All members shall be residents of the county and may be residents of incorporated cities, villages and towns within the county. The chief executive officer of the county board shall make every reasonable effort to nominate to the preservation commission at least one attorney, one historian or architectural historian, one architect/engineer and one real estate professional knowledgeable in preservation, and the other members shall be persons with a demonstrated interest in pre-history, history, or architecture. Terms of the initial members shall be staggered so that at least five serve respectively for the following terms: one for one year; one for two years; one for three years; one for four years; and one for five years. Any additional initial members shall also serve terms staggered in the same sequence. Successors to initial members so appointed shall serve for five year terms. One of the members so appointed shall be named as chairman at the time of appointment and other officers may be elected by the preservation commission. Vacancies shall be filled by the county board from names submitted by the presiding officer of the county board. Any preservation commission member may be removed by the county board for cause, after public hearing.

(Source: P.A. 86-962.)

D) *Officers.* Officers shall consist of a Chair, Vice-Chair and a Secretary elected by the Preservation Commission. The Chair shall preside over meetings. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair. If both the Chair and the Vice-Chair are absent, a temporary Chair shall be elected by those present. The Chair, Vice-Chair and secretary shall serve a term of one (1) year and shall be eligible for re-election. No member shall serve as an officer in the same capacity for more than three (3) consecutive years. Once the member has served in the same capacity for three (3) years a one (1) year hiatus from that office must be followed. The Chair shall ensure that the following duties are performed:

- i) That minutes are taken of each Preservation Commission meeting;
- ii) That copies of the minutes, reports, and decisions of the Preservation Commission be published and distributed to the members of the Preservation Commission.
- iii) The Kendall County Board Chair is advised of vacancies on the Preservation Commission and expiring terms of members; and
- iv) That there be prepared and submitted to the Kendall County Board a complete record of the proceedings before the Preservation Commission on any matters requiring County Board consideration. The Kendall County Planning, Building & Zoning Department shall be the official keeper of the records.

E) *Rules and Procedures.* The Historic Preservation Commission shall have the authority to develop and adopt rules and procedures necessary to carry out its functions under the provisions of this Ordinance.

F) *Meetings.* Meetings of the Preservation Commission shall be held no less than monthly, except in those months when no business is pending, and shall be held at such times and places within the County as the Commission shall decide. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by the consent of two (2) members. All meetings of the Commission shall be open to the public, shall follow all provisions of the Open Meetings Act and shall adhere to Robert's Rules of Order. The Commission shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing a vote of each member upon every question, or if absent or failing to vote, and shall also keep records of its official actions. Such minutes and records shall be open to the public for inspection at offices of the Kendall County Planning, Building & Zoning Department (Amended 2.21.17).

(55 ILCS 5/5-30013) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-30013)

Sec. 5-30013. Meetings of preservation commission.

Meetings of a preservation commission shall be held monthly, except in those months when no business is pending, and shall be held at such times and places within the county as the preservation commission shall decide. All meetings shall be open to the public. The preservation commission shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member

upon every question, or if absent or failing to vote, and shall also keep records of its official actions.

G) *Quorum*. A quorum shall consist of three (3) members. The transaction of business shall be made by a majority vote of those members in attendance while a quorum is present, except that the adoption, modification or rescission of any rule or part thereof shall require the affirmative vote of four (4) members (Amended 2.21.17).

H) *Compensation*. The members shall serve without compensation, but they shall be reimbursed for their expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties as such and approved by the Director of the Planning, Building & Zoning Department, and if funds are available in the Historic Preservation Commission's reserves.

I) *Annual Report*. The Commission shall submit an annual report of its activities to the Kendall County Board.

2. POWERS & AUTHORITIES

The Preservation Commission shall have the following powers and authority.

A) To conduct an ongoing survey of the County to identify buildings, structures, areas, sites and landscapes that are of historic, archaeological, architectural, or scenic significance, and, therefore, potential landmarks or historic districts;

B) To hold public hearings and recommend to the County Board the designation of landmarks or historic districts;

C) To compile information concerning and prepare descriptions of the landmarks and historic districts identified and recommended for designation and the characteristics that meet the standards for designation;

D) To prepare, keep current, and publish a map or maps showing the locations and exact boundaries of proposed and designated landmarks and historic districts and, if the Commission so chooses, the locations and boundaries of designated state or federal landmarks or districts;

E) To keep a register of all designated landmarks and historic districts;

F) To establish an appropriate system of markers or plaques for all designated landmarks, historic districts, and for streets, roads, trails, and highways leading from one landmark or historic district to another and to confer recognition upon the owners of landmarks or property within historic districts by means of certificates, plaques, or markers;

G) To nominate, landmarks and historic districts to any state or federal registers of historic places;

H) To advise and assist owners of landmarks and property within historic districts on physical and financial aspects of preservation, renovation, rehabilitation, and reuse, and

on procedures for inclusion on any state or federal register of historic places;

D) To inform and educate the citizens of the County concerning the historic, archaeological, architectural, or scenic heritage of the County by publishing appropriate maps, newsletters, brochures, and pamphlets, and by holding programs and seminars;

J) To hold public hearings and to review applications for construction, alteration, removal, or demolition affecting landmarks or property within historic districts and issue or deny Certificates of Appropriateness for such actions;

K) To consider applications for Certificates of Economic Hardship that would allow the performance of work for which a Certificate of Appropriateness has previously been denied;

L) To develop specific criteria and guidelines for the proper alteration, construction, demolition, or removal of landmarks, or of property within historic districts;

M) To review proposed amendments to zoning regulations and map amendments, applications for special uses or applications for zoning variations that affect any and all landmarks or historic districts. Proposed zoning amendments, applications for special use, or zoning variations that affect any landmark or historic district as defined in this ordinance or any application for demolition of any structure which is more than 50 years old shall be reviewed by support staff and forwarded to the Preservation Commission for review within seven (7) working days. **The Preservation Commission shall review and issue a ruling on an application for demolition within thirty (30) calendar days of the receipt of the application for demolition by the Planning, Building and Zoning Department. If the Preservation Commission fails to issue a ruling within the allotted time, the application for demolition shall be deemed approved.**

N) To administer on behalf of the County Board any **County owned** property, or full or partial interest in real property, including a conservation right, by approval of the County Board;

O) To accept and administer on behalf of the County Board gifts, grants, money or other personal property as may be appropriate for the purpose of this Ordinance. Such money may be expended for publishing maps and brochures, for hiring staff or consultants or performing otherwise appropriate functions for the purpose of carrying out the duties and powers of the Preservation Commission and the purposes of this Ordinance.

P) To administer any system established by the County Board for the transfer of development rights;

Q) To call upon available County agencies and staff as well as other experts for technical advice; costs to be determined prior to activities and paid by petitioner except where included in the existing approved budget;

R) To retain specialists or consultants, or to appoint citizen, neighborhood or area advisory committees, as may be required, costs to be determined prior to activities and paid by petitioner except where included in the existing approved budget;

S) To testify before all boards, commissions, committees and municipalities on any matter affecting potential or designated landmarks or historic districts;

T) To periodically review any County Land resource management plan and to develop a preservation component in any comprehensive plan of the County and to recommend it to the Regional Plan Commission, the Planning, Building & Zoning Committee and the County Board;

U) To periodically consult the County zoning administrator, review any County zoning ordinance and building code, and to recommend to the County Board any amendments appropriate for the protection and continued use of landmarks or property within historic districts;

V) To undertake any other action or activity necessary or appropriate to the implementation of its powers and duties or the implementation of the purposes of this Ordinance.

W) To recommend to the County Board the adoption of intergovernmental agreements between the County Board and Kendall County municipalities that allow for the nomination and designation by the County Board of individual landmarks and historic districts within incorporated areas and that afford the protection of landmarks and historic districts through the provisions of this Article, and

X) To periodically monitor designated landmarks and preservation districts for demolition by neglect and to refer negligent cases to the appropriate county agency for enforcement.

(55 ILCS 5/5-30011) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-30011)
Sec. 5-30011. Authority of preservation commission. Every preservation commission established by ordinance of the county board pursuant to the report and recommendations of the preservation study committee shall have the following powers and authority:

(1) To conduct an ongoing survey of the county to identify buildings, structures, areas, sites and landscapes that are of historic, archaeological, architectural, or scenic significance, and therefore potential landmarks or preservation districts;

(2) To hold public hearings and recommend to the county board the designation of landmarks or preservation districts identified in the survey;

(3) To compile information concerning and prepare descriptions of, the landmarks or preservation districts identified and recommended for designation, and the characteristics that meet the standards for designation;

(4) To prepare, keep current, and publish a map or maps showing the locations and exact boundaries of both proposed and designated landmarks and preservation districts, and, if the preservation

commission so chooses, the locations and boundaries of designated State or federal landmarks or districts;

(5) To keep a register of all designated landmarks and preservation districts;

(6) To establish an appropriate system of markers or plaques for all designated landmarks and preservation districts, and for streets, roads and highways leading from one landmark or preservation district to another and to confer recognition upon the owners of landmarks or property within preservation districts by means of certificates, plaques or markers;

(7) To nominate landmarks and historic districts to any state or federal registers of historic places;

(8) To advise and assist owners of landmarks and property within preservation districts on physical and financial aspects of preservation, renovation, rehabilitation and reuse, and on procedures for inclusion on any state or federal register of historic places;

(9) To inform and educate the citizens of the county concerning the historic, archaeological, architectural, or scenic heritage of the county by publishing appropriate maps, newsletters, brochures and pamphlets, and by holding programs and seminars;

(10) To hold public hearings and to review applications for construction, alteration, removal or demolition affecting landmarks or property within preservation districts and issue or deny certificates of appropriateness for such actions;

(11) To consider applications for certificates of economic hardship that would allow the performance of work for which a certificate of appropriateness may be, or has been denied;

(12) To develop specific criteria and guidelines for the proper alteration, construction, demolition or removal of landmarks, or of property within preservation districts;

(13) To review proposed amendments to zoning regulations, applications for special uses or applications for zoning variations that affect any landmark or preservation district. Proposed zoning amendments, applications for special use or zoning variations that affect any landmark or preservation district as defined in the ordinance establishing the preservation commission shall be transmitted to the preservation commission for review and comment prior to the date of the hearing by the county regional plan commission or zoning board of appeals;

(14) To administer on behalf of the county board any property, or full or partial interest in real property, including a conservation right, which the county may have or accept as a gift or otherwise, upon designation by the county board;

(15) To accept and administer on behalf of the county board such gifts, grants and money or other personal property as may be appropriate for the purposes of this Division. Such money may be expended for publishing maps and brochures, or for hiring staff persons or consultants or performing otherwise appropriate functions for the purpose of carrying out the duties and powers of the preservation commission and the purposes of this Division;

(16) To administer any system established by the county board for the transfer of development rights;

(17) To call upon available county agencies and staff members as well as other experts for technical advice;

(18) To retain such specialists or consultants, or to appoint such citizen, neighborhood or area advisory committees, as may be required from time to time;

(19) To testify before all boards and commissions including any county regional plan commission, and the zoning board of appeal on any matter affecting potential or designated landmarks or preservation districts;

(20) To periodically review any county comprehensive plan and to develop a preservation component in any comprehensive plan of the county and to recommend it to the county regional plan commission and the county board;

(21) To periodically consult with the county zoning administrator and review any county zoning ordinance and building code and to recommend to the county regional plan commission and the county board any amendments appropriate for the protection and continued use of landmarks or property within preservation districts;

(22) To adopt rules and procedures for operation of the preservation commission and the conduct of hearings and meetings;

(23) To undertake any other action or activity necessary or appropriate to the implementation of its powers and duties, or to implementation of the purposes of this Division.

(Source: P.A. 90-655, eff. 7-30-98.)

Annual Joliet Historic Preservation Award

The City of Joliet bestows an Annual Joliet Historic Preservation Award that recognizes properties that have undergone recent exterior and/or interior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use, or sympathetic additions as well as people who exhibit dedication to the field of historic preservation.

Applications for this award are available January 1st through March 1st. Nominations for this award are due March 1st.

Nomination forms can be picked up in the Community Development Department or downloaded here:

[Annual Historic Preservation Award Nomination Form](#) [Word]

[Annual Historic Preservation Award Nomination Form](#) [PDF]

For more information, please contact Jayne M. Bernhard, Staff to the Joliet Historic Preservation Commission by phone: (815) 724-4052; or email: jbernhard@jolietcity.org

Past Award Recipients:

- 2018 The Cathedral of Saint Raymond Nonnatus (604 North Raynor Avenue) for their front façade Restoration of the Neoclassical Style Cathedral of St. Raymond Church
- 2018 The Property Owners of 318 South Midland Avenue for their interior restoration of a 1924 Sears Model and Craftsman Style Bungalow
- 2018 MyGrain Brewery for their adaptive reuse of the Beaux Arts Style Joliet Union Station Located at 50 East Jefferson Street
- 2018 The Property Owners of 310 Bridge Street for the exterior preservation of the Castellated Romanesque Style Sehring Mansion
- 2017 University of St. Francis for renovation of the St. Clare campus/former Guardian Angel Home
- 2016 Joliet Township High School for the Fieldhouse addition and new Student Center @ Galleria addition to the Central Campus
- 2015 University of St. Francis for adaptive reuse of the Motherhouse
- 2015 University of St. Francis for the rehabilitation of the former Mode Theatre into the Robert W. Plaster Free Enterprise Center
- 2014 Joliet West High School American Studies Team for their "Joliet Limestone" historical exhibit
- 2013 Joliet Junior College Foundation for relocation and restoration of the Cronin School
- 2013 Blackhawk Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society for their celebration of the 100th anniversary of Union Station
- 2012 Oakwood Cemetery Association Volunteers for their care of the historic Oakwood Cemetery
- 2011 Karl and Rebecca Darley for their extensive renovation of 506 Buell Avenue
- 2010 Voyager Group for the renovation and adaptive reuse of the Morris-Niver Farmhouse
- 2009 Senior Suites for adaptive reuse of the former Joliet YMCA
- 2008 Jeff Bussean for the relocation of the John D'Arcy home on south Center Street

Annual Joliet Historic Preservation Award

A recognition of properties that have undergone recent exterior and/or interior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use, or sympathetic additions as well as for people who exhibit dedication to the field of historic preservation.

MAIL NOMINATION FORM TO:

Joliet Historic Preservation Commission
150 W. Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432

EMAIL NOMINATION FORM TO:

Jayne Bernhard, jbernhard@jolietcity.org

DEADLINE: March 1, 2018 by 4:00 pm

Street address: _____

Current property owner: _____

Historic name and/or original owner (if known): _____

Current use: _____

Historic use: _____

Year built (if known): _____

Year rehabilitated, renovated, restored (if known): _____

Architectural style / form (if known): _____

Reason for nomination: *Please provide a short description, between 50 and 500 words, explaining the project or person being nominated. The statement should clearly identify the purpose and scope of work, unusual challenges or innovative approaches, sensitive treatment of historic fabric, long-term impact and any other information that supports the nomination as being exceptional.*

Images: *Please provide a minimum of five photographs or quality digital photographs in .jpg format on a CD ROM, flash drive, or by email highlighting the project. Before and after pictures are encouraged.*

Submitted by: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Address: _____

Annual Historic Preservation Award

Application for Award Nomination Announcement:	January 15 th and February 15 th
Deadline for nomination:	March 1 by 4:00 pm
Date of JHPC Review:	March and April JHPC Meetings. <i>JHPC shall be provided with applications prior to the March meeting for their review</i>
Date of final selection:	April JHPC meeting
Award given:	Second May City Council meeting

How the final selection will occur. The JHPC will review the nominations at their March and April meetings and make a final selection at their April meeting. The Secretary of the JHPC will notify award recipient(s) by May 1st. The Joliet City Council will bestow the award via a proclamation at their second May Council meeting, which typically occurs the third Tuesday of the month.

Physical Description of Award: At a minimum, the recipient will receive a certificate, which will be bestowed at a City Council meeting. The JHPC also aspires to provide award recipients with a small sign that they could place on their property. City staff is still researching whether the JHPC has funds to purchase signs annually for this program. If the City does not have funding for this, donations may be sought.

Aluminum garden flags cost around \$70



Wooden garden flags cost around \$25



Nomination Procedure: Each nomination must include a completed application form and a minimum of five photographs or quality digital photographs. Applications will be available on the City's website as well as in hard copy form at City Hall.

Award categories and number of awards to be given: Nominations may be for a structure that has undergone exterior or interior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use, landscape restoration or sympathetic additions OR for a person who exhibits dedication to the field of historic preservation.

The JHPC reserves the right to offer one or more awards based on the quality of submitted nominations. The JHPC also reserves the right to offer zero awards.

Award designation may simply be: "2018 Joliet Historic Preservation Award (s)." Or "Person of the Year" and "Project of the Year."

Example

- "2018 Joliet Historic Preservation Award" *for the restoration of the home at _____*
- "2018 Joliet Historic Preservation Award" *for the adaptive reuse of the building at _____*
- "2018 Joliet Historic Preservation Award" *for the sympathetic building addition at _____*
- "2018 Joliet Historic Preservation Award" *for preservation work in the _____ neighborhood*

Award Review and Selection Criteria:

Preservation/Restoration

- Only completed projects shall be considered.
- Historic character and features of the property shall be retained and preserved.
- Features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property shall be retained.
- Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property shall be preserved.
- Original materials shall be retained (example: slate roof repair/replacement, removal of artificial siding, repair/restoration of wood siding).
- Historic materials and features shall be repaired rather than replaced.
- When material is replaced, the new shall match the old in composition, design, color and texture.
- Landscape and site features original to the site shall be preserved.

Architecturally Compatible New Addition:

- Only completed projects shall be considered.
- New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property.
- The new work shall be differentiated from the old but shall be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.

JPHC Commissioner Award Selection Procedure

- **COW Meeting:** Group discussion on applications (30 minutes).
 - If any consensus, the COW can make a recommendation to be heard at the Regular Meeting.
 - COW can decide if one or more awards will be offered.

- **Regular Meeting:** Each commissioner secretly ranks applications by number of applications (5 minutes). For example, if there is 7 applications then you rank 1-7 with #1 being the highest ranking.
- Rankings are discussed (15 minutes)
- Recommendation made on number of awards to be bestowed followed by a recommendation and formal vote on awardees (5 minutes).
- A tie may result in a second vote for one.

Form 2

The JPHC asks you to nominate, for its annual Historic Preservation Awards, properties that have undergone recent exterior and/or interior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use, landscape restoration, or sympathetic additions. The purpose of the West Chester Preservation Awards Program is to raise awareness and appreciation of West Chester's historic character and to encourage the preservation of the Borough's historic integrity. The Commission will review the nominations and select final award recipients whose properties meet the following criteria created in the spirit of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

The City of Joliet bestows an annual Historic Preservation Award during the month of May (National Historic Preservation Month).....All nominations must be submitted by 4:00 pm on March 1st. The Joliet Historic Preservation Commission will review all nominations andThe recipient will be honored at the second City Council meeting in May.

Questions?

Contact: Jayne M. Armington, AICP
Secretary to the Joliet Historic Preservation Commission
Email: jarmington@jolietcity.org
Phone: 815-724-4052
Joliet Historic Preservation Commission
150 W. Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432

Website

For properties that have been restored, rehabilitated, or adaptively reused in keeping with the criteria for Historic Preservation Awards. The Historic Preservation Awards are reviewed by the JHPC and awarded by the City Council.

Matt Asselmeier

From: Bethany Salmon [BSalmon@oswegoil.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2018 12:47 PM
To: Bernhard, Jayne; Matt Asselmeier; Greg Peerbolte-Joliet HPC; Jason Engberg; jproulx@goplainfield.com; Lisa DiChiera; Jerad Chipman
Subject: RE: Historic Preservation Awards Question
Attachments: Attachment B - POS Award Ceremony VB Memo.pdf; Attachment A - POS Village Newsletters Articles.pdf

Oswego's HPC is in charge of the Property of the Season awards program. Awards are selected on quarterly basis and an article on the history of the building or property is published in the Village's newsletter. There are no specific categories as part of this prorma. To celebrate Historic Preservation Month in May, the Historic Preservation Commission presents all of the awards from the following years to the property owners at a Village Board meeting. At the Board meeting, property owners are presented with a plaque that includes a picture of the structure and the address of the property. I've attached an example of the articles published in the Village Newsletter and the plaques given to the property owners.

There is some additional information is available at the following link: <http://www.oswegoil.org/government/board-and-commissions-and-committees/historic-preservation-commission/property-of-the-season.aspx>

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Bethany Salmon
Planner
Community Development Department



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From: Bernhard, Jayne <jbernhard@jolietcity.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 11:18 AM
To: Matt Asselmeier <masselmeier@co.kendall.il.us>; Bethany Salmon <BSalmon@oswegoil.org>; Greg Peerbolte-Joliet HPC <g.peerbolte@jolietmuseum.org>; Jason Engberg <jengberg@yorkville.il.us>; jproulx@goplainfield.com; Lisa DiChiera <ldichiera@landmarks.org>; Jerad Chipman <chipman@ci.montgomery.il.us>
Subject: RE: Historic Preservation Awards Question

We offer an annual award(s). We awarded four this year and gave out lawn signs to the awardees.

Here is the link to our award process:
<http://cityofjoliet.info/government/boards-commissions/joliet-historic-preservation-commission/annual-historic-preservation-award>

Jayne M. Bernhard, AICP
Planner II

City of Joliet
150 W. Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432

Summer 2016 Property of the Season

The Oswego Historic Preservation Commission is proud to introduce the residence at 453 Douglas Street as the Summer 2016 Property of the Season.

The house at 453 Douglas Street traveled several miles to reach this final destination. Although it is unclear as to its original construction date, the now-residence for many years served as a schoolhouse at the corner of Cherry Road and Plainfield Road.

A side gable roof with cornice returns defines this wooden structure. In the 1940's a gable roof canopy with curved underside and knee brackets was added above the front entry along with a concrete stoop and wood board shutters. Because of its well documented past, the Village's 2009 Granacki Historic Survey rates this property as "contributing" as a historical resource.

History Timeline (excerpts from the Kendall County Record)

June 1873: The Kendall County Record noted that a schoolhouse was present on Gilbert Gaylord's property. Discussions were held to determine if the building should be radically improved or rebuilt. Miss Murray is presently teaching at the school.

May 13, 1897: John and Mary Gaylord sold one acre of land at the corner of Cherry and Plainfield Roads to the Directors of School District #7.

February 1931: The schoolhouse "had electric lights installed from a high-line."

May 31, 1941: Residents in three school districts, Wilcox, Gaylord and Walker, voted to consolidate the schools. The vote carried 41 to 25.

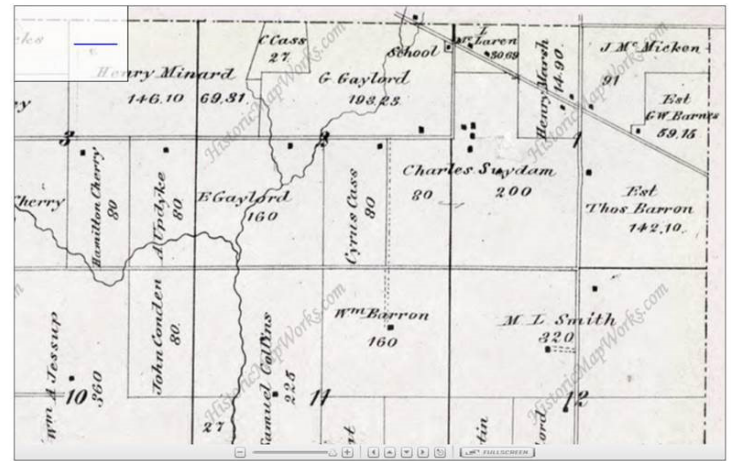
March 1944: Reinhold and Martha Zielke purchased a home at 454 S. Main Street and the adjacent vacant property (Lot 10) now known as 453 Douglas Street.

September 30, 1944: The Gaylord School property was sold by the School District. Reinhold Zielke purchased the schoolhouse for \$61. The acre of land was sold to Mrs. May Gaylord Cutter for \$211 and all of the school equipment (coal house, pump, etc.) sold for "a good price."

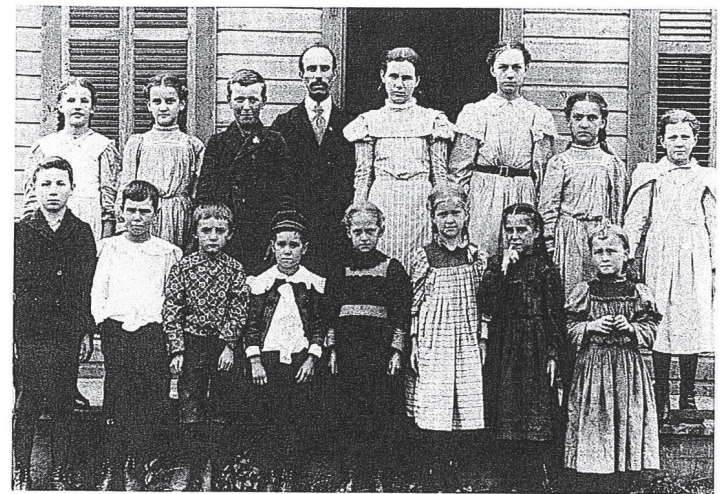
October 1944: The Gaylord School building was moved to the lot at 453 Douglas Street and converted into a residence.

c. 1945: A one-room side addition was added to the building.

The Property of the Season Program was created by the Oswego Historic Preservation Commission to honor properties, and their owners, that are deemed contributing to the historical and cultural character on the Village of Oswego. For the purposes of this program, a property can be identified as a structure, site, or permanent object such as a sign, clock, or other community icon. More details about the program are available on the Village's website.



Excerpt from Kendall County 1870 map



Gaylord School on Plainfield Road in Oswego Township in the late 1800's
Class Photo credit: 150 Years Along the Fox

Fall 2016 Property of the Season



History Timeline

(excerpts from the Kendall County Record):

(June 1927) The women's restroom and gift shop in the Croushorn store opened June 4 (1927). The room was very neat and pretty. Anyone with articles to sell are invited to bring them to the room, which is open every afternoon and Saturday evening. (July 1927) The rest room and gift shop in the Croushorn building will continue under the management of Miss Harriett Walker. (in the Knapp Block on Main Street)

After her death in June 1948, and the death of her sister Edna in 1956, it appears that the property passed then to the surviving brother Fred (Clara) Walker, and then to Harriet's four nieces. It was noted in the Record, "Miss Walker will be greatly missed in her community, her church, and in the home where she and her younger sister have lived alone for 30 years since the death of their mother in 1918."

68 PARK STREET

In March of 1913 J.D. and Lizzie Russel and John and Nellie Herren deeded 68 Park Street to Harriet E. Walker for \$200. Harriet was the daughter of prominent Oswegoan Seth Edward Walker, who had passed away in January of that year. Seth, a farmer, came to the Oswego area from Massachusetts in the 1840s. He later married Alida Loucks, and together they had five children: Bert, Fred and Frank (twins), Harriet, and Edna.

An excerpt from the Kendall County Record in June 1913 reveals that "Oswego will be beautified by a number of new residences. L. [Lew C.] Young and his force of carpenters are working on the Walker bungalow." Harriet worked as a teacher and lived in the newly constructed residence with her sister, Edna and her mother, Alida, until her mother's passing in 1918. Both Harriet and Edna stayed in the home throughout their lives.

This home is a great example of the Bungalow house style categorized in the Arts and Crafts movement. Characteristics include low-pitch gable or hipped roof lines, deep overhanging eaves, exposed rafters or decorative eave brackets, and a front porch constructed from an extension of the main roof. While second stories are incorporated by use of dormers, the house creates a low profile and has the majority of rooms on the main level.

The Walker house's prominent feature is its large front porch that runs the length of the home. This porch played an important part in everyday life as an extension of the home - especially on summer days before air conditioning. The Walker sisters took advantage of this feature; the Record reported in July 1941 that "Twenty-nine ladies enjoyed the Red Cross picnic held July 18 on the spacious front porch at the home of the Misses Harriet and Edna Walker."

The side gabled roof also contains two dormers whose decorative eave brackets and detailed wood trim shows the care and craftsmanship the house underwent and continues to preserve.



Ed. Smith Family Reunion in 1906: (Back, L-R) Susie Croushorn (Roswell), Helen Dwyre, Susan Rice, Clara Walker, Fred Walker, Bird Morey, Louise Morey, Nellie Dwyre. (Front, L-R) Paul Dwyre, Raymond Dwyre, Bill Dwyre, Will Smith, Harry Morey, Anna Reed Smith, Ed Smith, Winifred Walker (Woolley).

Photo from 150 Years Along the Fox. Fred Walker (Center back) was deeded the property in 1956.

Winter 2016 Property of the Season A Short History of the Church of the Good Shepherd

By Sarah Kime



Exterior of the Federated Church, 1914

Those donors were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knapp, William Shoger, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Burkhart, Mrs. Minnie Leigh, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Shoger, Mr. and Mrs. Mundsinger, John Roth, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schoger, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Willie, Sophia Hansing, and Minnie Shoger.

Interestingly, a building in one form or another has always occupied that corner of Washington and Madison Streets from the beginning of Oswego's settlement. In fact, another church stood on the exact same spot, as was reported in the Kendall County Record on October 16th, 1895. The editors wrote:

"Another old landmark is gone, namely the stone church on the southeast corner of Madison and Washington Street. The building stood there for over 50 years and in the first place was a two-story dwelling house."

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Apparently, the stone church that was built prior to 1845 was erected for the first French Canadians to settle in Oswego. The Presbyterian congregation bought and used the old stone church until selling it to the German Methodists, who demolished it to make way for their new church building.

The German Methodist Evangelical congregation celebrated the completion of its church with a dedication ceremony that took place on Sunday, July 12th, 1896. This included sermons conducted in German to accommodate its large German-speaking population. The Evangelicals worshipped primarily at this church until the Congregational Church on the corner of Main and Benton Streets burned to the ground on February 29th, 1920. The Congregational members voted not to rebuild and decided to use the German Methodist Evangelical church as their meeting place instead.

This decision opened the church's doors to Congregationalists, Baptists, and Lutherans as well as the Evangelical Methodists. Church leaders began talk of officially joining together as a federated group under one roof. This led to the decision to rename the church the Federated Church where different religious groups could share the pulpit. This unique partnership lasted for nearly three decades.

However, a significant challenge arose for the churchgoers - securing long-term pastors for the congregation. Most of the pastors who came through the church's doors stayed for only a few years before moving on to other congregations or retiring altogether. Keeping a pastor for any length of time had become a problem, one that the church would need to solve if it hoped to continue to serve its growing membership.

The Oswego Historic Preservation Commission is proud to announce that The Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist has been chosen as the Winter 2016 Property of the Season. Its height, white siding, and Gothic Revival architectural style make it an eye-catching addition to the town's historic architecture. Although there have been some additions and improvements made to the building over the years, its original construction remains largely intact.

Located at the corner of Washington and Madison Streets in downtown Oswego, Illinois, the Church of the Good Shepherd was originally built as a place of worship for the German Methodist Evangelical congregation. Construction of the building began in the fall of 1895 and was officially completed in the summer of 1896. It was designed and built in the Gothic Revival style. Its tall bell tower houses a 958-pound bell that was cast by the Van Duzen Company in Cincinnati, Ohio and delivered to Oswego via locomotive. Its foundation is stone and concrete and its white siding was originally wood shingle.

Not surprisingly, the building's construction made for good headlines. The writers and editors of the Kendall County Record shared updates on the building's progress, including the anticipated installation of its notable stained glass windows. Many congregation members from several prominent Oswego families contributed funds to have these windows installed. Most donated to have them placed in memory of relatives and loved ones. The editors of the Kendall County Record made a note to print the names of each person who generously contributed over the course of two issues from March 25th to April 1st, 1896.

Emergency Preparedness for Winter

Ready or not, here it comes. Unless you have recently located to the area, there is a good chance you have experienced a good old fashioned northern Illinois winter. Anything can happen, including thunder and lightning, heavy rain, an ice or snow storm, extreme cold, above average temperatures, and that could be in a single day! If you haven't thought about how to handle these conditions before they happen, you may find yourself wishing you had.

So what should you be concerned about? If you plan on traveling outside the local area you may want to make sure you have emergency supplies in your vehicle. Some items to consider include a first aid kit, jumper cables, a shovel and ice scraper, blanket, flashlight, warm clothes and accessories, water and snacks, and a flashlight. If you are just traveling within the community, unless it's a major storm, local public services, including police, fire, and public works should be able to assist before you have to reach for that emergency snack, although you may wait depending on road conditions and volume of calls for service. Regarding vehicle maintenance, be sure the window washer fluid reservoir is full to help visibility, tires have a safe amount of tread and required air pressure, the battery charge is sufficient, you have plenty of fuel, and the brakes are good. For most people it's not fun dealing with sudden vehicle repairs when it's nice out, let alone when it's snowing and the wind chill is below 0. Before heading out on the open road be sure all windows are clear of snow and ice. Most of us have seen that car on the road with just a small area of visibility through the windshield. Don't be that guy.

Don't forget about your home when preparing for or dealing with extreme winter weather. There is plenty you could do regarding energy efficiency: upgrade insulation, caulking and winterizing doors and windows, covering windows in plastic, installing storm windows, etc. But what should you do to prepare for an emergency? How are you going to handle an extended power outage? We have been very fortunate in this community to have excellent utility services. Having no power for a short period of time is an inconvenience; not having it for a long period of time can be life threatening, especially in cold conditions. A generator for the home is a luxury few of us have. Portable generators sell quickly at supply stores during an emergency so plan ahead. Have a supply of salt available for those slick surfaces and get those snow blowers dusted off and burn off that gas that's been sitting in those tanks since last spring.

Pets are very sensitive to extreme cold. You wouldn't want to be left out in the cold, would you? Pay attention to severe weather warnings and check on senior citizens to make sure their needs are taken care of. Visit the Oswego Police website, www.oswegopoliceil.org for locations of warming centers in the area.

Do your part to prepare for extreme winter weather. Your local public safety employees will do their best to ensure your safety and the safety of those traveling in the community.

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Economic Development News

■ Vacant Retail Space

We have received a great deal of outreach from the Oswego community concerning the empty Dominick's site and the Village's efforts to fill the property. We want you to know that we are also concerned by the ongoing vacancy and are deploying our resources to get new, high quality tenants in the space. However, here are some important facts about the site:

- The lease is held by Jewel-Albertsons, the parent company of Jewel Osco.
- Jewel-Albertsons lease on the Dominick's property is through 2021.
- We have spoken with other municipalities and understand the standard lease agreement with the local landlord gives Jewel-Albertsons the unilateral right to renew the lease automatically, in five year increments, for over 15 years.
- Through our collaboration with other Chicago-area towns, we know that Jewel-Albertsons has allowed these stores to remain empty and, in some cases, has recently renewed their lease for another five years.
- From what we understand, if this practice continues, Oswego's former Dominick's building could remain vacant for 20 years.

Oswego's Village President Johnson recently attended a press-event, alongside eight other municipalities with similarly vacant, former Dominick's stores.

The fact of the matter is that the Village is not a party to the lease and cannot change the current situation without assistance from Jewel-Albertsons. We are distressed by the vacancy and continue to reach out to Jewel-Albertsons and work with our neighbors to place a new business in the site. We are very willing to work with any potential new tenants, the landlord, and Jewel-Albertsons to fill that space immediately.

■ Contact Us

Visit our website for vacancy reports on retail, office, and industrial properties and to sign up for monthly ED e-Newsletter:

www.oswegoil.org/ED
630-551-2334

■ New Economic Development Director for the Village

My name is Corinna Cole and I am thrilled to introduce myself as Oswego's new Economic Development Director. I join the Village after almost 10 years working in Economic Development in New York City.



The term "economic development" is a vague concept. What does real economic development involve? Many people assume that it involves attracting new businesses, supporting current businesses, and facilitating those efforts. All of that is true. But – in my opinion – the most underrated and important aspect of economic development is building a sense of community.

Think about it: Where do you want to live? Where do you want visit a park or take a walk? How far do you want to go to shop? All of those things happen, for the most part, in the community in which you reside. And you chose that community based off of things like good schools, neighbors, the beauty of your surroundings, and convenience to work and shopping. That's the place you want to invest in, shop in, build up. That is an enormous part of building a vibrant, local economy.

What attracted me to Oswego is that sense of community. I've spent the past few weeks getting to know many people within this community; I've visited with local business owners, the Chamber of Commerce, nonprofits leaders, municipal employees, and elected officials. The thing that everyone here values most about Oswego is that sense of community. Even when I attended a conference in Chicago, so many people came up to me and said "I live in Oswego. What a great community!"

So as I get to work over the coming months, I'll be looking to attract new business, do my best to fill vacant space, and strive to improve downtown. However, throughout all of that, I am committed to partner with all of you to strengthen that feeling of community and ownership, so that Oswego continues to shine as a great place to live and have fun.



The church tried to merge with the Oswego Prairie Church, a Methodist congregation then located on Wolf Crossing Road. That merger fell through after the Methodists voted to remain independent apart from the Federated Church. Finally, in January 1958, the congregation voted to become an Evangelical United Brethren Church. In celebration of its new affiliation, the congregation renamed itself the Church of the Good Shepherd.

The church building received some alterations over the years, including replacement vinyl siding, columns, and railings and a reconstructed front porch. The largest alteration is the significant addition built onto the west side of the church. The congregation saw a large population



boom in the first half of the 20th century and recognized that it needed more space to accommodate everyone. The addition was completed and dedicated in 1965.

In a 2009 report completed by the Granacki Historic Consultants of Chicago, the Church of the Good Shepherd was recognized for its historic significance to the architecture of this community. Its 120-year history as a building and as a meeting place for Oswego's various religious congregations is a fascinating example of this town's growth and evolution.

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AGENDA ITEM

MEETING TYPE: Village Board

MEETING DATE: May 16, 2017

SUBJECT: Historic Preservation Commission – Property of the Season Awards

ACTION REQUESTED:

The Oswego Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) will be making a brief presentation recognizing the Properties of the Season that have been acknowledged over the past year. No further action requested.

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

The HPC selects sites to be awarded the honor of Property of the Season on a quarterly basis.

ACTION PREVIOUSLY TAKEN:

Date of Action	Meeting Type	Action Taken
2015-2016	HPC	Property of the Season sites selected quarterly
4/19/2016	Village Board	Proclamation – National Preservation Month

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

SUBMITTED BY: Bethany Salmon, Planner

FISCAL IMPACT: Not Applicable

BACKGROUND:

The Property of the Season program brings awareness to historic preservation and helps promote historical homes and buildings in and around the Village of Oswego. Each quarter, the HPC selects a local property to highlight as part of its Property of the Season program. Photos and the property’s history are printed in the Village’s newsletter and shared on the Village’s website.

DISCUSSION:

The Properties of the Season for FY 2016-2017 include:

- 453 Douglas Street – Summer 2016
- 68 Park Street – Fall 2016
- 5 W. Washington Street, “First German Evangelical Church” – Winter 2016
- 59 Main Street, “Oswego Fire Station” – Spring 2017

The HPC will also highlight Preservation Month initiatives, which include the release of two updated walking tour brochures and a preservation resource guide.

RECOMMENDATION:

Memo and presentation provided for Board's information.

ATTACHMENTS:

Property of the Season 2016-2017 Plaques

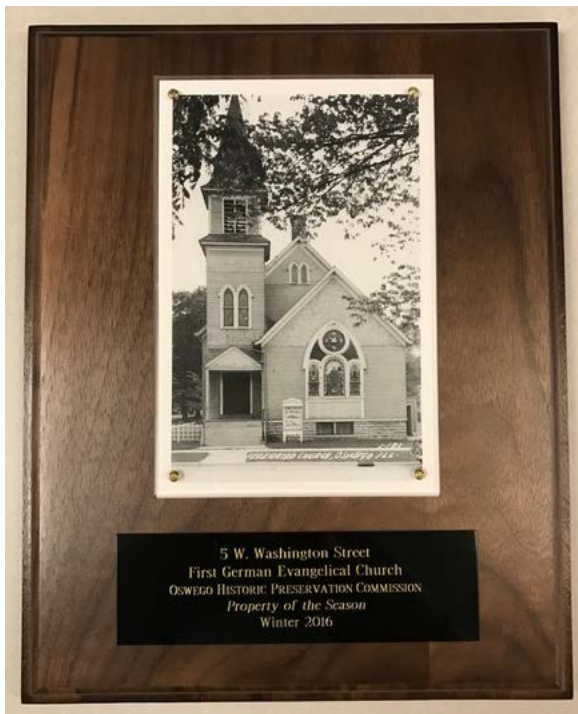
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2016-2017**



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Spring 2017

Matt Asselmeier

From: Bob Dressel [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 8:19 AM
To: Matt Asselmeier
Cc: Kathleen Armstrong
Subject: Re: Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Request

Matt,

I would be glad to talk about the property and history of our Lodge.

Bob

On Fri, Aug 10, 2018 at 7:55 AM, Matt Asselmeier <masselmeier@co.kendall.il.us> wrote:

Bob:

If possible, we would like you to speak at our meeting. If you could do a 10-15 minute presentation, that would be great.

Please see me a draft contract. The Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission meets again on August 20th.

Thanks,

Matthew H. Asselmeier, AICP

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From: Bob Dressel [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2018 3:01 PM



From: Sean Foley [SMFoley@mchenrycountyil.gov]
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 4:04 PM
To: Matt Asselmeier
Subject: RE: County Historic Preservation Activities Question - McHenry Co. HPC

Historic Preservation Commission

Mr. Asselmeier:

In McHenry County we have a "Joint Council of Historic Groups" that meets twice a year, usually at some historic venue, or sometimes for training opportunities. The JC members include CLG's, non-CLG municipalities, historic societies, and probably a few that are just interested in history. It is mainly a networking consortium. The MC Historical Society is the lead agency. Our HPC participates.

Commissioners also work as volunteers with historic groups on their own projects they may be interested in. These typically are reported-on in regular commission meetings beforehand or afterward or both.

Our HPC also works to give County landmark status to non-CLG municipalities' properties through inter-governmental agreements. These are done on an occasional, ad-hoc basis as special projects.

We have an honorary Scenic Drives program, and many of these designations were done in cooperation with interested citizens/organizations, such as landowners along the routes, the Boy Scouts (for dedication ceremonies), and in one case as an elementary school project.

That's the overall scope of our partnering activities. Feel free to contact me if you'd like more information.

Sincerely,

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From: Dennis Sandquist
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 12:24
To: Sean Foley <SMFoley@mchenrycountyil.gov>
Cc: Matt Asselmeier <masselmeier@co.kendall.il.us>
Subject: RE: County Historic Preservation Activities Question

Sean

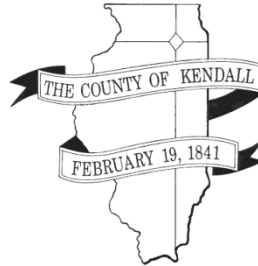
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Mr. Bob O'Dekirk	City of Joliet	Mayor
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Please RSVP to Matt Asselmeier at masselmeier@co.kendall.il.us or 630-553-4139 by **February 6, 2019**. Any questions or requests for additional information should also be sent to Mr. Asselmeier.



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