

KENDALL COUNTY
Historic Preservation Commission
Kendall County Office Building
Rooms 209 & 210
111 W. Fox Street, Yorkville, Illinois
6:30 p.m.
July 20, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jeff Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Eric Bernacki, Elizabeth Flowers (Secretary) (Attended Remotely), Kristine Heiman (Attended Remotely), and Jeff Wehrli (Chairman)

Absent: None

Also present: Matt Asselmeier, Senior Planner

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Heiman, to approve the agenda as presented.

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Heiman, to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2020, meeting.

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Wehrli stated that he is waiting patiently for the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency to send an application for Certified Local Government status.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of an Invoice from Leo's Trophies, Gifts and Engraving in an Amount Not Exceed \$148.00 for a Plaque for the Historic Preservation Award Winner; Related Invoices Paid from Historic Preservation Commission Line Item (11001902-63800)

Commissioners reviewed the proof of the award.

Member Bernacki made a motion, seconded by Member Heiman, to approve the invoice.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli
Nays (0): None
Absent (0): None
Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

The presentation will occur at the August 4, 2020, County Board meeting, at 6:00 p.m.

Nomination of Officers

Commissioners reviewed the membership roster.

The consensus of the Commission was to nominate Member Flowers as Vice-Chairman and Member Bernacki as Secretary.

The votes on the nominations will occur at the August meeting.

Discussion of Meeting with Historic Preservation Organizations

Mr. Asselmeier provided correspondence from the Village of Oswego, City of Joliet, United City of Yorkville, and Save the Historic Jail Group.

Training on preservation methods was suggested as a topic. Discussion occurred regarding paying for training. Discussion also occurred about planning for an event in February, including having a larger venue.

Commissioners will bring topics and suggested locations to the August meeting.

Jon Pressley was suggested as a possible speaker regarding the importance of Certified Local Government status. Historic preservation in the era of COVID was also suggested as a possible topic.

Discussion of Recognizing Joseph Platt Brown and Ashby Farms

Member Bernacki provided information on Joseph Platt Brown and the Ashby Farm. He suggested that the Commission partner with the local homeowners' association on the placement of a marker or plaque in the small park near the subdivision owned by the homeowners' association recognizing the Brown and Ashby families. The consensus of the Commission was to explore partnering with the homeowners' association on the placement of the plaque.

Member Bernacki will draft language for the plaque for the Commission to review. A price quote will be sought after the language of the plaque and the size of the plaque is determined.

The target is a spring 2021 dedication for the plaque.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Kendall County Historic Preservation Ordinance and Certified Local Government Status

Commissioners reviewed the ordinance and an email from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency regarding the Certified Local Government application materials.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Member Heiman made a motion, seconded by Member Flowers, to adjourn.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew H. Asselmeier, AICP, CFM
Senior Planner