

**KENDALL COUNTY**  
**Historic Preservation Commission**  
*Kendall County Historic Courthouse*  
*East Wing Conference Room*  
*109 W. Ridge Street, Yorkville, Illinois*  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**September 21, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jeff Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Eric Bernacki (Secretary), Elizabeth Flowers (Vice-Chairwoman), and Jeff Wehrli (Chairman)

Absent: Kristine Heiman

Also present: Matt Asselmeier (Senior Planner) and Mary Murray (Attended Remotely)

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Bernacki, to approve the agenda as presented. With a voice vote of three (3) ayes, the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Bernacki, to approve the minutes from the August 17, 2020, meeting. With a voice vote of three (3) ayes, the motion carried.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Wehrli reported that the County is getting closer to Certified Local Government status.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Discussion of Historic Preservation Plan***

Mr. Asselmeier provided the historic preservation plan that is on the Senior Planner's computer. He noted that several red marks and question marks were located in the document. He also noted that the plan was dated 2013 and was intended to be a five (5) year plan. He was unsure if the plan was adopted. He suggested waiting for guidance from the State after the County is a Certified Local Government. Discussion occurred regarding the various objectives and goals in the plan, including the green related objectives. Mr. Asselmeier noted that the County might explore updating the Land Resource Management Plan after the 2020 Census information is available. The consensus of the Commission was to wait with reviewing the document until the County reviews the Land Resource Management Plan and until assistance can be provided from Springfield regarding Certified Local Government Status.

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Discussion of Recognizing Joseph Platt Brown and Ashby Farms***

Member Bernacki reached out to the Plainfield Historical Society. He hoped to get information for a plaque and a quote for the October Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

***Discussion of Meeting with Historic Preservation Organizations***

Mr. Asselmeier noted that only a few groups provided responses. The consensus of the Commission was to have the meeting with other historic preservation organizations the second Wednesday in February 2021. The

meeting would be by Microsoft Teams with Commissioners physically present at the Historic Courthouse. Jon Pressley would be the invited speaker.

***Discussion of Certified Local Government Application Status***

Mr. Asselmeier reported that the application was emailed and mailed to Springfield on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

***Discussion of Cemeteries***

Mr. Asselmeier provided a list of cemeteries from GIS. Discussion occurred about recognizing the graves of groups (i.e. Civil War veterans). Discussion occurred about having volunteer days to cleanup some of the cemeteries. Mr. Asselmeier will identify the owners of the cemeteries. Chairman Wehrli requested Mr. Asselmeier to send an email to the townships letting them know that the Commission is considering honoring individuals or cleaning up a cemetery and asking them the status of their township cemetery.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Bernacki, to adjourn. With a voice vote of three (3) ayes, the motion carried.

The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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