

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

February 10, 2015

Memorial Hall – Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale
5:00 P.M.

Chairman Peterson called the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission to order at 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 2015 in Memorial Hall in the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale IL.

Present: Chairman Peterson, Commissioner Harloe-Mowery and Commissioner Bohnen

Absent: Commissioner Gonzalez and Commissioner Hutter

Also Present: Village Planner, Sean Gascoigne

Discussion

Chairman Peterson moved on to the agenda's discussion points and summarized the progress of the ongoing mapping project. Chairman Peterson requested an updated report from Sean Gascoigne on demo permits issued for 2013 and 2014 in order to update the homes that have been demolished and can be taken off the list.

Chairman Peterson asked for an update on the Village website progress and Sean Gascoigne explained that they are still working on the design aspect of the website, which is the most time consuming, and then the content portion will be worked on at which time the landmark map could be added. The goal is to complete the website by May 1st.

Minutes

Chairman Peterson introduced the minutes from January 13, 2015. Commissioner Harloe-Mowery made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Chairman Peterson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion

Chairman Peterson asked Commissioner Bohnen for an update on the Fence Regulations item. Commissioner Bohnen asked Sean Gascoigne for clarification on process for revising the fence code. Sean Gascoigne explained that it is a revision to the Municipal Code hence once the Commission has a recommendation prepared the request would go to the Board of Trustees for consideration and discussion and then a second meeting for final decision.

Commissioner Bohnen provided a summary of his progress and provided suggestions as to possible revisions to the current fence code regarding height limitations on front yard wrought iron fences such as possible five-foot high maximum for front and side yard up to the building line. He also suggested that a requirement that only real wrought iron be a

permitted material for front yard fences. General discussion ensued among the members present in regards specific language to include such as possible specific materials allowed, scale of fence in comparison to size of house, esthetics, etc.

Chairman Peterson suggested that Commissioner Bohnen prepare draft notes and provide photographs of the various fences already installed throughout the Village for comparison purposes and return to the next meeting for further discussion.

General discussion ensued regarding Preservation Month and Chairman Peterson suggested that the Commission should have a good idea as to what their responsibilities are and should already be making progress in those areas. He indicated that he would look for a progress report from each Commissioner in March.

Adjournment

With no additional discussion, Chairman Peterson entertained a motion to adjourn the workshop. Commissioner Harloe-Mowery motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Bohnen seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m. on February 10, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McGinnis
**Director of Community Development/
Building Commissioner**