

CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
March 28, 2023
5:30 pm
City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sonya Dobberfuhl, Chair
Claudia Colla, Vice-Chair
David Larson
Dawn Brooks
Barbara Volk

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent:

Alexandra Omiotek

Sonya Dobberfuhl called the meeting to order at 5:34pm.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (Brooks/Colla) to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2023 Awards Program: Gina DelRose provided examples of what would qualify for an award. Ms. DelRose stated that since commissioners live in different neighborhoods they will notice different properties.

Promotional/Fundraising Events: Claudia Colla stated that the Artist's Dinner/Presentation could highlight just one selected artist or a handful of artists. It could be held indoors or outdoors, there could be speakers and various entries could be selected.

Barbara Volk questioned if the art pieces would be for sale or if it would be an auction.

Claudia Colla stated that auctions are typically more fun.

Sonya Dobberfuhl stated that she has been working on the walking tour and utilizing maps and a phone book from 1911 for research.

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Barbara Volk stated that if a fundraiser was successful in the past, it is worth repeating. With more and more organizations hosting fundraisers, it is hard to not duplicate events and people and businesses only have so much money and time.

Claudia Colla stated that she believes the scavenger hunt should be held again.

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Sonya Dobberfuhl stated that the tour is a driving tour so property owners should not be impacted.

David Larson stated that people like to identify with the experience and not just collect information.

Gina DelRose stated that she will email out the fundraisers that the Commission has previously discussed and commissioners can choose which one they want to look into more. Commissioners should have a proposed time, location, cost and outline of the event to discuss at the next meeting.

David Larson stated that if the events can help make going downtown a normal occurrence, everyone benefits.

Gina DelRose stated that she did suggest giving a presentation on regulations for landmarked structures to the Board and Realtors and they said they will look into potential meeting dates.

Maintenance Small Grant: Gina DelRose stated that two applications have been received so far.

10 Year Plan: Gina DelRose provided an overview of Chapter 3 and noted what recommendations the City has completed or is in the process of completing.

Expenditures: No updates.

Friends of Preservation: No updates.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Images of American Belvidere and Boone County

Royalties: No updates.

Book Sales: No updates.

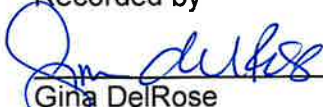
DISCUSSION: None.

Staff Report: None.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 25, 2023

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Recorded by



Gina DelRose

Community Development Planner