

**CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
November 9, 2019
5:30 pm
City Hall Council Chambers
401 Whitney Boulevard**

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Lisa Kummerow, Chair
David Kummerow, Vice Chair
Becky Tobin
Anna Pivoras

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent

Kris Bryan
Alexandra Omiotek
Filitsa Platopoulos

With a quorum present, Lisa Kummerow called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (Tobin/D. Kummerow) to approve the minutes from the October 22, 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mindy Long stated that the owner of 401 S. State Street would appreciate information regarding the building.

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2020 Awards Program: Gina DelRose requested that the Commission begin looking for award winners.

Becky Tobin stated that one of the awards should go to the owners of 605 N. State Street.

Lisa Kummerow confirmed that the awards would be held at the Boone County Museum of History.

Gina DelRose stated that they would be held the second Thursday of May (May 14, 2020).

Promotional/Fundraising Events: Lisa Kummerow confirmed that the Swift House would be open for tours from 5pm-9pm during Hometown Christmas and that the fee would be \$5 per group.

Becky Tobin stated that all commission members that do not have other events should be there to assist.

Lisa Kummerow questioned if the February fundraiser would be a murder mystery or something else.

Becky Tobin stated that it was previously discussed that the Commission would host one more murder mystery with some changes. Tickets will be for Saturday night while the commission will hold a dress rehearsal on Friday night.

Anna Pivoras stated that the game will be purchased instead of written as in previous events.

Gina DelRose stated that the Commission has held one very successful murder mystery and one not-so-successful event. This upcoming one will be used to determine whether the murder mysteries will continue. Ms. DelRose stated that the changes are being made based on feedback from the last event.

Lisa Kummerow confirmed that Coach's Corner would be catering.

Gina DelRose questioned what the theme should be. Previous themes discussed were "disco" and "wild wild west".

The Commission decided on a "wild wild west" theme.

Leath Warehouse Update: No updates.

Maintenance Small Grant: Gina DelRose stated that grant letters will be sent out in December.

10 Year Plan: No updates.

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:

Newsletter- Gina DelRose provided the Commission with the latest newsletter. Ms. DelRose stated that the newsletters would be mailed out prior to Hometown Christmas.

US Route 20 Signs- Gina DelRose stated that the US Route 20 signage has been installed.

Courthouse Square Area Phase III Survey- Gina DelRose stated that the contract with the Lakota Group was approved but, due to the snow, survey work was delayed.

COMMUNICATIONS/PLANNING REPORTS:

Staff Report: Gina DelRose gave a recap of downtown projects.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 17, 2019

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:23pm.

Recorded by



Gina DelRose
Community Development Planner