

**CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
September 25, 2018
5:35 pm
City Council Chambers
401 Whitney Boulevard**

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Filitsa Platopoulos
Alexandra Omiotek
Anna Pivoras
Becky Tobin

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent

David Kummerow, Chair
Lisa Kummerow, Vice Chair
Kris Bryan

With a quorum present, acting Chair Becky Tobin called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (Platopoulos/Pivoras) to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Landmark Application- 401 East Lincoln Avenue- Becky Tobin opened the public hearing at 5:35pm.

Gina DelRose presented the staff report dated September 18, 2018. Ms. DelRose stated that the several notable residents have resided in the home, the architecture is not one of the more common styles in Belvidere and it has spurred several urban lore.

There were no questions from the commission or the public.

Becky Tobin closed the public hearing at 5:39pm.

It was moved and seconded (Pivoras/Platopoulos) to approve the landmark application for 401 E. Lincoln Avenue. The motion carried with a 3-1 vote. Alexandra Omiotek abstained.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2019 Awards Program: Gina DelRose stated that she has been contacted by two downtown property owners wanting to improve their facades. Ms. DelRose stated that they could potentially be award winners.

Promotional/Fundraising Events: Gina DelRose stated that she will be reaching out to potential Progressive Dinner participants about possible December dates.

Becky Tobin stated that December 1st or December 8th would be acceptable.

Anna Pivoras stated that Drew Pivoras is working on the plot and game rules. Ms. Pivoras stated that Drew Pivoras intends on making the murder mystery less complicated.

Anna Pivoras stated that the commission can begin looking at props and decorations for the shipwrecked themed event.

Leath Warehouse Update: No updates.

Maintenance Small Grant: Gina DelRose stated that Ollmann Ernest Martin Architects have not submitted for reimbursement yet.

10 Year Plan: Gina DelRose encouraged the commission to read the implementation portion of the plan and determine what suggestions they wish to move forward with.

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:

Historic US Route 20 Association- Gina DelRose questioned what commissioners would be able to attend.

Alexandra Omiotek stated that she may have jury duty that day.

Filitsa Platopoulos stated that she may have to leave early.

Becky Tobin stated that she can attend.

Newsletter- Becky Tobin stated that an edition of the newsletter should go out to help advertise fundraisers and promote the recently landmarked properties.

Anna Pivoras stated that the commission is welcomed to have a table at the Museum during Hometown Christmas in order to advertise and sell tickets to the fundraisers.

COMMUNICATIONS/PLANNING REPORTS:

Staff Report: There was no staff report.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Gina DelRose stated that due to scheduling conflicts, the October 23, 2018 meeting will need to be changed.

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It was decided that the next meeting would be November 1, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Recorded by



Gina DelRose

Community Development Planner