

**CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
April 28, 2020
5:30 pm
City Hall Council Chambers
401 Whitney Boulevard**

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Lisa Kummerow, Chair
David Kummerow, Vice Chair
Alexandra Omiotek
Filitsa Platopoulos
Becky Tobin

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent

Anna Pivoras
Kris Bryan

With a quorum present, Lisa Kummerow called the meeting to order at 5:36pm.

Chair Lisa Kummerow, Vice-Chair David Kummerow and members Filitsa Platopoulos and Becky Tobin were present remotely for the meeting.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (Platopoulos/D. Kummerow) to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2020 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mindy Long (via e-mail) stated that the Ida Public Library is looking for virtual tours of historic homes, public buildings and favorite Belvidere locations to share as part of their virtual programming.

Gina DelRose stated that people could also interview other people that have unique experiences to share.

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2020 Awards Program: Gina DelRose advised the Commission to wait until the May meeting to determine a new date for the Awards Program.

Gina DelRose informed the Commission of two façade renovations downtown. One is at the State Street Commons building in which the stucco was replaced and the other is at the former Masonic Temple in which siding was removed to reveal the original windows and columns.

Promotional/Fundraising Events: Gina DelRose stated that, due to the current pandemic, a fundraising event will not be held until at least the fall.

Leath Warehouse Update: No updates.

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Maintenance Small Grant: Gina DelRose provided a recap for the grant application submitted for 405 W. Hurlbut Avenue.

Becky Tobin stated that the applicant has lived at the property for at least 50 years and has been active in historic preservation in the past.

It was moved and seconded (L. Kummerow/D. Kummerow) to approve up to \$1,500 but not exceeding the 50% match for the exterior painting at and siding replacement at 405 W. Hurlbut Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.

David Kummerow provided a recap for the grant application submitted for 127 W. Locust Street.

It was moved and seconded (Tobin/Omiotek) to approve \$2,500 for the exterior window repair at 127 W. Locust Street. The motion carried 3-0-2. L. Kummerow and D. Kummerow abstained.

10 Year Plan: No updates.

Expenditures: Gina DelRose stated that the Commission made a profit of \$764. Ms. DelRose noted the spreadsheet that included revenues and expenses with a breakdown of what accounts the expenses were paid out of it.

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 stated that the next edition of the newsletter will go out after the Awards Program is finalized.

US Route 20- David Kummerow stated that he reached out to the Association in an effort to increase the level of activity.

Courthouse Square Area Phase III Survey- Gina DelRose stated that due to the pandemic, surveying work has had to stop. The Lakota Group is working on writing the text based on what survey work has been completed. If the Stay at Home order is lifted or the State issues a grant extension, then the rest of the survey work will be completed.

COMMUNICATIONS/PLANNING REPORTS:

Staff Report: Gina DelRose stated that the Herbert Home has been sold.

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 26, 2020

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:12pm.

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Gina DelRose
Community Development Planner