

**CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
April 19, 2018
5:30 pm
City Council Chambers
401 Whitney Boulevard**

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

David Kummerow, Chair
Lisa Kummerow, Vice Chair
Anna Pivoras
Alexandra Omiotek
Filitsa Platopoulos

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent

Kris Bryan
Becky Tobin

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

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (L. Kummerow/Pivoras) to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Work Plan and Budget- Gina DelRose presented the FY 19 work plan and budget.

It was moved and seconded (L. Kummerow/Pivoras) to approve the FY 19 work plan and budget. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2018 Awards Program: Gina DelRose informed the Commission that Debbie Carlson had completed additional renovations to the building at 319 South State Street since purchasing it from John Ahrens, who is receiving an award for the renovations he completed.

It was the consensus of the Commission to present Debbie Carlson with an award for her renovation work.

Gina DelRose stated that if the Commission decided on a dinner option, a second meal would need to be planned for vegetarian.

Anna Pivoras stated that since the event is free to those attending, heavy appetizers instead of a full meal is acceptable.

Lisa Kummerow stated that the same food is served every year and she would like to see something different.

David Kummerow agreed with both statements.

Gina DelRose stated that there will be coffee, iced tea and water provided. A cash bar will be available as well.

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It was decided the following presenters will be:

319 South State Street—David Kummerow

221 Logan Avenue--- Lisa Kummerow

Mike Doyle—Anna Pivoras

Boone County Arts Council—Filitsa Platopoulos

Community Building—Sandie Omiotek

Promotional /Fundraising Events:

Stained Glass Window Tour- Gina DelRose stated that she received confirmation that St. John's would like to participate.

Sandie Omiotek stated that she has been in contact with First Presbyterian and they will hopefully have an answer by Monday, April 23, 2018.

Gina DelRose stated that she talked with Becky Tobin and they discussed having a breakfast and morning tour instead of a lunch and afternoon tour if that works better for those participating.

Gina DelRose stated that confirmations need to occur soon or the event will be cancelled.

Leath Warehouse Update: No updates

Maintenance Small Grant: Gina DelRose stated that a grant application for new windows was received. Ms. DelRose stated that the application was incomplete and numerous attempts were made to contact the application and window company. Ms. DelRose stated that she received an email today from the applicant stating they are looking at other window companies and would like more time to submit a revised application.

It was the consensus of the Commission to deny the grant application. The grant deadline was March 31, 2018 so there is no time to reapply.

10 Year Plan: Gina DelRose stated that she is still discussing the reimbursement with the state.

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- No updates.

Fundraisers- Anna Pivoras questioned if a projector will be needed at the awards program.

Gina DelRose stated that believes that the Community Building has a projector, if not, the City has one she can borrow.

Gina DelRose stated that she planned on having the Images of America book for sale as well as handouts. Ms. DelRose stated that Mike Doyle is welcome to offer his books for sale as well.

Anna Pivoras stated that she can have someone monitor the books and resource table.

David Kummerow stated that fundraisers help to get the word out about the Commission's goals and efforts.

Anna Pivoras stated that Drew Pivoras is writing a wild west-themed murder mystery.

David Kummerow stated that there should be two tickets, one for just dinner and one for dinner and participation.

Anna Pivoras stated that she spoke with Kathy Kresol and Ms. Kresol has agreed to help with an interactive cemetery tour.

Sandie Omiotek stated that there could be a reception before or after the cemetery tour in the Petit Chapel.

David Kummerow suggested presenting to the Chamber of Commerce.

Anna Pivoras suggested presenting to the Rotary Club.

COMMUNICATIONS/PLANNING REPORTS:

Staff Report: Gina DelRose gave a status update of projects within the City of Belvidere.

Sandie Omiotek announced that she has accepted a part time position at the Ida Public Library.

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 22, 2018

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Recorded by



Gina DelRose
Community Development Planner