

**CITY OF BELVIDERE  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES  
August 23, 2016  
5:30 pm  
City Council Chambers**

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Becky Tobin, Chair  
Kris Bryan, Vice Chair  
Filitsa Platopoulos  
David Kummerow  
Lisa Irvine Kummerow

**Staff Present:**

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

**Members Absent**

Anna Gill Pivoras  
Vacant

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

**MINUTES:** It was moved and seconded (Irvine Kummerow/Bryan) to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2016 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Certificate of Appropriateness for Demolition of 117 W. Hurlbut Avenue- Becky Tobin stated that the request will be postponed until the September 27, 2016 meeting in order to give the Ida Public Library the full 60 days (from start of advertising) to try to sell the property.

**Work Plan**

2017 Awards Program: Becky Tobin stated that the item will be kept on the agenda until enough nominations are received.

Promotional /Fund Raising Events: Becky Tobin stated that Gina DelRose has not received any responses from the four properties she contacted.

Kris Bryan stated that he spoke with the owner of 405 E. Lincoln Avenue and she is out of town that weekend.

Becky Tobin questioned if she would be willing to do it a different weekend.

Kris Bryan stated that she would contact the commission.

Gina DelRose stated that she felt it may be best for commissioners to personally reach out to the homeowners instead of sending another letter. Ms. DelRose suggested waiting to hear what weekend works best for the owner of 405 E. Lincoln Avenue before contacting the other homeowners.

David Kummerow verified that the original date was October 22, 2016.

Phase II Survey: Becky Tobin stated that the commission is waiting to receive a revised draft.

Gina DelRose stated that when she last contacted Duane Hagerty he said the revised draft would be done in one week.

Leath Warehouse Update: Becky Tobin stated that there is no update.

David Kummerow questioned whether the anticipated renovation would result in a mixed use building.

Becky Tobin confirmed this and stated that a hotel has been discussed as well.

Maintenance Small Grant: Becky Tobin stated that the commission has not heard from Pearl Place Apartments regarding their progress.

Kris Bryan confirmed that the commission would inspect the work when it's done.

Expenditures: No updates

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Images of American Belvidere and Boone County**

Royalties: No updates

Book Sales: No updates

**DISCUSSION:**

**Landmark homeowners' social event-** Gina DelRose stated that there were seven RSVPs.

Becky Tobin stated that the commission should ask the attendees what day and time works best for them for future events.

**Underground Railroad in Boone County-** No updates

**Prohibition Era-** No updates

**Property Maintenance Assistance Program-** Becky Tobin forwarded an email she received regarding the property the commission had previously visited. Ms. Tobin stated that she believes the commission gave the owners motivation to begin some projects and that it is best to keep the dialogue open.

**Vacant Seat-** Gina DelRose stated that she had reached out to a homeowner on East Lincoln Avenue who seemed interested but she has not been in contact since.

**COMMUNICATIONS/PLANNING REPORTS:**

**Staff Report:** Gina DelRose informed the commission that they were awarded Grant No. CL-2016-0247 which will help pay for a long range historic plan.

Becky Tobin stated that she had already budgeted for the city's 30% share of the plan.

Gina DelRose stated that the Boone County Community Foundation Grant gave the go ahead to apply for a grant to help with the Property Maintenance Assistance Program.

David Kummerow stated that the North State Street National Registry sign was damaged and is peeling.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** September 27, 2016

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm.

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Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner