

VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, May 21, 2013
MINUTES

5 CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Donna Britton called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Huntley Historic Preservation Commission for Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 6:00 pm in the Village Board Room, located at 10987 Main Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142. The room is handicap accessible.

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ROLL CALL - ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Karen Langhenry and Jake Marino and Chairperson Donna Britton

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Deb Waters and Vice-Chair Lonni Oldham

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Development Services Charles Nordman and Planner James Williams

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Chairperson Britton welcomed Ms. Diana Carpenter, who was recently appointed to the Huntley Historic Preservation Commission, and whose appointment will be official following the Thursday, May 23, 2013 Village Board meeting and swearing-in by the Village Clerk.

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Ms. Carpenter stated she recently relocated to Huntley from Oak Park, IL where she had lived for forty years, served as Oak Park Village trustee and, in that capacity, also served as liaison to the Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT There were no public comments.

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4. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of the April 23, 2013 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Approval of the Minutes was “tabled” until the next meeting.

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5. Old Business

A. Discussion - *May Look at Local History* Firefighter Theme Event – Farmers Market - Saturday, May 25, 2013

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Commissioner Langhenry stated she would be available this Saturday morning to set-up and Commissioner Marino confirmed he has the materials and information ready to be displayed in the Old Village Hall for the event.

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Chairperson Britton mentioned that the McHenry County Historical Society will have their mobile museum, known as “The James”, at the event and parked in the Old Village Hall parking area

Chairperson Britton and historic commission members listed the materials and copies of historic preservation literature they would like available at the Saturday, May 25th event including:

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- Binders with photos of the 2009 – 2013 Pride in Preservation
- Town Square Self-Guided Tour

- Second Street Self-Guided Tour
- T. S Huntley Brochure
- Landmark/Historic District Brochure
- Historic Commission Brochure
- Historic Placemat Sets

B. Discussion - Prospective Landmark Properties, Additions to existing Historic District and/or New Historic Districts

In regard to the proposed landmarking of the Mullane property, 11608 Second Street, Chairperson Britton stated former Historic Preservation Commissioner and architect Michael Vander Ploeg has researched the specific house style and that she still held out hope the completion of the landmark application process for the property could be completed this summer.

Chairperson Britton stated she has noticed that the Randall House, 12117 Main Street, was for sale and was curious whether the landmark designation requirements would need to be followed by any future purchaser.

Director Nordman confirmed any owner of the property would need to follow abide by the requirements of the property's landmark-designation.

In regard to the 2013 Pride in Preservation properties, Chairperson Britton pointed out the two (2) recipient properties included the First Congregational Church, 11628 Main Street and the Town Square and she was disappointed the Old Village Hall was inadvertently omitted from the Pride in Preservation presentation at last Thursday's, May 16, 2013 Village Board meeting.

Discussion continued in regard to the Pride in Preservation signs distributed last year that were not collected from the following recipient properties: 12119, 12011 and 12007 Main Street; 11619 and 11613 Mill Street; 11705 Third Street and 10820 Woodstock Street.

Additionally, Chairperson Britton reminded the other Historic Preservation Commissioners about the possible nomination of the First Congregational Church as a sesquicentennial church property by the State of Illinois Office of Historic Preservation that Vice-Chair Oldham had mentioned at last month's Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

6. New Business

A. Discussion – Other Future Projects and Initiatives

Director Nordman distributed copies of the exhibit for the proposed "Jim Dhamer – Town Square" sign that includes an additional sign below the original sign which includes the wording: "Town Square Est. by T. S. Huntley, 1851".

Chairperson Britton mentioned that at next month's meeting Commissioner Waters will continue her presentation of the demolition permit process requirements she has discussed at the last couple Historic Preservation Commission meetings. Chairperson Britton also pointed out that the issue of the structure demolition process will be something she would be interested to include in the meetings she and Vice-Chair Oldham have had with Village President Sass and Village Manager Johnson.

Chairperson Britton also notified the Village Staff to expect a letter from the McHenry County Historic Commission announcing their unanimous recommendation that the Sawyer-Kelley Mill property at the southwest corner of Main and Woodstock Streets be preserved.

5 7. Adjournment

At 6:40 p.m., A MOTION was made by Commissioner Marino to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Langhenry. Motion carried unanimously.

10 Respectfully submitted,

James Williams

Planner

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