

VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, January 22, 2013
MINUTES

5 CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Lonni Oldham called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Huntley Historic Preservation Commission for Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 6:05 pm in the Village Hall 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 Deb Waters, Karen Rocks, Karen Langhenry,
and Jake Marino and Vice-Chair Lonni Oldham

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairperson Donna Britton

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

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3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

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4. Approval of Minutes

A MOTION was made to approve the August 21, 2012 Meeting Minutes with the following changes:

Page 5, Line 20, replace "that are proposed to" with "will".

Page 5, Line 47, remove "a".

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MOVED: Commissioner Waters
SECONDED: Commissioner Rocks
AYES: Commissioners Karen Langhenry, Karen Rocks, Deb Waters, and Vice Chair Lonni Oldham
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner Jake Marino
MOTION CARRIED 4:0:1

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5. Old Business

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

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Commissioner Marino suggested reconnecting with the owner of the Dairy Mart to determine if he was still interested in a historic designation for the site. Mr. Marino recalled Chairperson Britton having last spoken with the Dairy Mart property owner and recommended she contact the property owner again.

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Vice Chair Oldham suggested assembling Second Street property information with the assistance of the historic information former Historic Commissioner Conley had in a plat book.

Vice Chair Oldham asked if there was any news regarding the Sawyer – Kelley Mill building at the southwest corner of Main Street and Woodstock Street and Director Nordman stated he was not aware of any news regarding the Village's plan for the property.

Vice Chair Oldham stated the McHenry County Historical Society's (MCHS) "Save Fifty Sites" program and, as part of this initiative, MCHS has received approval from the Village of Huntley to tour the Sawyer – Kelley Mill building. Vice Chair Oldham mentioned that she was planning to attend the tour of the site.

5 Commissioner Marino introduced a rendering of a mural example Mary Beth Manning had expressed interest in presenting before the Huntley Village Board as a possibility for producing on the "Route 47-side" (i.e. west side) of the Sawyer – Kelley Mill building as an element of its rehabilitation.

10 After a significant discussion, it was determined to include the proposed mural concept as an attachment to the statement of support from the Huntley Historic Preservation Commission to the Huntley Village Board recommending restoration of the Sawyer – Kelley Mill building.

15 Commissioner Waters will provide a copy of the statement to Planner Williams for transmittal on to the Village Manager's office and Village President.

15 Vice Chair Oldham reminded the other Commissioners that McHenry County has yet to announce the theme for this year's "Look at Local History Month" for this May.

20 Commissioner Marino suggested a possible theme may center about the Huntley Fire Protection District's – Firestation No. 1 at the west end of Coral Street built in 1961. It was further suggested the theme could include research of fire fighter's homes and possibly produce a list of Pride in Preservation program for the year including these properties.

25 6. New Business

25 A. Discussion – Town Square Sign

Vice Chair Oldham reviewed the proposed Town Square sign wording she crafted.

30 Discussion included whether the proposed wording drafted by Vice Chair Oldham could augment the existing sign in the Square or be placed on a new sign.

35 Commissioner Rocks asked when it was expected proceeds from the recently implemented Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District and Director Nordman stated that significant funds were not expected for several years.

35 Director Nordman also mentioned that the existing sign may have been procured by the Huntley Park District and that Staff would consult with the Village Manager's Office and Mayor for direction on the matter.

40 B. Discussion – May Look at Local History Event - *This item was discussed previously.*

40 C. Discussion – Other Future Projects and Initiatives - *No additional projects were discussed.*

7. Adjournment

45 At 6:53 p.m., A MOTION was made by Commissioner Marino to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Rocks. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

50 *James Williams*

Planner

Village of Huntley