

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, September 20, 2011
MINUTES**

5 CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Deb Waters called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Huntley Historic Preservation Commission for Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall Conference Room C107, located within the Huntley Village Hall, 10987 Main Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142. The room is
10 handicap accessible.

ROLL CALL - ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Deb Waters, Jake Marino, Karen Rocks and Tom Conley
15 MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Karen Langhenry, Vice-Chair Lonni Oldham and Chairperson
Donna Britton
ALSO PRESENT: Director of Development Services Charles Nordman and Planner James Williams

3. Public Comment
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There were no comments from the public.

4. Approval of Minutes

25 A MOTION was made to approve the August 16, 2011 Meeting Minutes with the following corrections:

Page 3, Lines 7 and 10, replace "Marion" with "Marino"

30 **MOVED:** Commissioner Tom Conley
SECONDED: Commissioner Jake Marino
AYES: Commissioners Tom Conley and Jake Marino
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioners Deb Waters and Karen Rocks
MOTION CARRIED 2:0:2

35 5. Old Business

A. Discussion - 2011 Pride in Preservation program

40 Commissioner Conley acknowledged there was still work to complete with the pending landmark applications for the Mullane and Smith (11608 and 11610 Second Street, respectively) residences.

Similarly, Commissioner Marino stated his historic designation work continues in regard to the Boston Residence at 11905 West Main Street and the Darby Residence at 11111 Grove Street.
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Commissioner Rocks reviewed that her discussions with the owner of the property at 11002 Church Street continue, but the owner is concentrating on other more pressing personal issues at this time.

Commissioner Marino inquired as to the status of anyone contacting the owner of the Zator residence at 11607
50 Second Street and no one has had any contact with this party to-date.

B. Christmas on the Square historic preservation activity

Commissioner Conley stated he is still working on compiling photos of historic winter-scenes in and about
55 Huntley for reproduction and display within various businesses around the Huntley Town Square during and after the December 3rd event.

Additionally, Commissioner Conley stated there is still a possibility that he may host an open house on Saturday, December 3, 2011, but remains concerned about the impediment to parking the weather may pose at that time of year.

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Commissioner Waters asked if the winter-scene photographs would be displayed on just the day of the Kris Kringle event or beyond that date, and the Historic Commissioners agreed it would be appropriate for the photos to be displayed beyond that date.

10 Commissioner Marino distributed a photocopy of two winter-scene photos and there was discussion about producing sharper and enlarged reproductions of these photos and other similar ones.

Commissioner Rocks suggested side-by-side photos showing the historical photo next to a photo of that same feature and/or area today.

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Commissioner Conley reviewed the research of the Woodstock Square clock he performed with the hope of possibly installing a similar clock in Huntley's Town Square in the future. Commissioner Conley determined the manufacturer of the Woodstock clock is Electric Time from Medfield, Massachusetts.

20 Commissioner Conley asked if Village Staff had received any feedback from the Village Board and/or Village Manger's office regarding the proposed town square clock.

Director Nordman stated that, similar to the issue of landmarking the Square, the purchase and installation of a clock in the Town Square would need to be considered in the future as part of a comprehensive streetscape program which may be several years in the future.

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6. New Business

Commissioner Conley reviewed the research he is compiling with the hope of designating the wooded area formerly known as Oakland Park at the west end of Oakcrest Drive, west of Route 47, as a landmark through the McHenry County Historic Preservation Commission. Commissioner Conley planned to continue gathering information and photographs, with the assistance of Commissioner Marino and Nancy Bachelor, and readdress this topic at the November Huntley Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

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Commissioner Rocks mentioned she is scheduled to meet with Dan Miller, Treasurer, Gifford Park Association in Elgin, on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 to discuss his organization's activities.

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Commissioner Marino pointed out the Dairy Mart building was largely unaffected by the Route 47 reconstruction, which is nearing completion, and perhaps the owner of that establishment may be interested in revisiting landmarking the site.

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Commissioner Rocks stated she would begin to collect Pride in Preservation signs from the 2011 recipient properties.

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7. Adjournment

At 6:30 pm, A MOTION was made by Commissioner Conley to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Commissioner Rocks. Motion carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,

James Williams

Planner

Village of Huntley