

December 11, 2017 (Historic Preservation Committee)

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2017
6:00PM ALLOUEZ VILLAGE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Faller called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Faller, Ropp, Genrich, Juno
Excused: Fredericks, Mooney
Also Present: T. Fuller

MODIFY/ADOPT AGENDA

Juno / Genrich moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 25, 2017

Juno / Ropp moved to approve minutes dated October 25, 2017 as presented. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Update on the proposed amendments to Chapter 248, Historic Preservation, of the Village Ordinances – Plan Commission has reviewed and approved the proposed amendments as were approved by the Historic Preservation Committee. The ordinance will need a Public Hearing, which will likely take place at a January Village Board meeting.
- State Historic Tax Credits Update – The State legislature is considering a bill, which would increase the recently enacted per project cap on historic tax credits from \$500,000 to \$3.5million.
- Federal Historic Tax Credits Update – The U.S. Senate has passed a tax reform plan, which maintains the historic tax credits at 20% of eligible project costs. The U.S. Congress tax reform plan will be voted on soon, but does not include the historic tax credits. Staff will keep the committee updated.
- The Certified Local Government Grant for the nomination work of the Robinson Hill Historic District and the Roger Minahan House was submitted to the Wisconsin Historical Society in November. The village should hear if they received the grant in February.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Jim O'Rourke, 2339 Oakwood Avenue

- The committee should review the whole Historic Preservation Chapter of the Village Ordinances and consider rewriting the entire chapter in a way that makes sense to them.
- The Murphy-Cowles Estate fence should be locally designated a historic structure.
- The City of De Pere has a good Historic Preservation Ordinance.
- Neighborhoods will come together because of historic designations; an example is the Robinson Hill District.

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DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FORM AND PROCESS

Staff discussed the Certificate of Appropriateness process defined in the Historic Preservation Chapter of the Village Ordinances and the authority granted to the village by state statutes. The process is very similar to the process in the City of De Pere. Staff also provided the committee with Certificate of Appropriateness form currently used by the Village of Allouez and compared the form with those being used by other municipalities throughout the state. Staff said that the information being requested is generally the same as what is requested by other municipalities.

The committee discussed the City of De Pere Certificate of Appropriateness form. The committee likes the content provided in the De Pere form, but likes the format of the Village of Allouez form.

Genrich / Ropp moved to create a new Certificate of Appropriateness form, taking components from the existing form and the form used by the City of De Pere. Motion carried.

UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE MIRAMAR DRIVE RESIDENTIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT

The State Historic Preservation Review Board has approved listing the Miramar Drive Residential Historic District to the State Register of Historic Places. Next, the National Parks Service will review and make the determination regarding the listing of the district to the National Register of Historic Places. Staff will continue to keep the committee up to date.

ACTION RE: STREET SIGNS FOR MIRAMAR DRIVE

Staff provided an estimate of the cost to replace the existing street signs on Miramar Drive, with the brown street signs indicative of historic districts. Staff estimates replacing all six signs will cost approximately \$300.

The committee discussed if the having a street sign at the Miramar Drive and Webster Avenue intersection would be misleading because the district does not extend all the way to Webster Avenue.

Genrich / Juno moved to recommend the purchase of all six street signs on Miramar Drive at the presented estimated cost. Motion carried.

UPDATE ON THE CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT FOR ROBINSON HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT AND ROGER MINAHAN HOUSE

Update provided in the announcements.

UPDATE ON ALLOUEZ WATER WORKS BUILDING LOCATED AT 535 GREENE AVENUE

There is an accepted offer to purchase on the property located at 535 Greene Avenue. The property is scheduled to close at the end of the month (December).

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SET NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 6:00p.m.

Agenda Items: Action re: Approval of the revised Certificate of Appropriateness application, update on the property at 1825 S. Webster Avenue

ADJOURNMENT

Juno / Genrich moved to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Trevor Fuller, Planning and Zoning Administrator.