

**MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**April 5, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Chairman Hartshorne at 4:05 p.m. at Village Hall.

Members present: Chairman James Hartshorne, Robert Del Prato, Katherine Hamilton-Smith, Pam Hume, Mike Kollman, Amy McEwan and Tom Wilkinson.

Members absent: None.

A quorum was established.

Village Staff present: Johanna Bye, Associate Planner.

Commissioner Kollman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Del Prato, to approve the March 1, 2016, Historic Preservation Commission meeting minutes.

Motion carried 6 – 0, with Commissioner McEwan abstaining.

**Discussion:**

The HPC welcomed Amy McEwan as the newest Commissioner. Ms. McEwan stated that she currently works for Lake County and has previously staffed a historic preservation commission in Michigan.

Commissioner Wilkinson shared updates to the HPC 2015 Accomplishments and 2016 Goals documents discussed by the Commission at the April meeting. Ms. Bye suggested adding reference to the Certificate of Appropriateness review process. Commissioner Kollman recommended storing the documentation of Local Landmark Designation application material digitally. Ms. Bye stated that this could potentially be done in BS&A, the Village's property and permit tracking software.

Commissioner Kollman presented the Local Landmark Designation application for the David Adler Estate. Highlights include:

- In 1917, David Adler purchased a farmhouse built in 1864 in north Libertyville
- Major remodels took place in 1918, 1926, 1934, and 1941
- Adler practiced Eclecticism, architectural design incorporating a mixture of elements from previous historical styles, to create something that is new and original
- The David Adler Estate is eclectic in design and was a prototype for many of his works on the Chicago North Shore and across the USA
- The David Adler Estate was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in November, 1999

Amy Williams, Program Director at the David Adler Music and Arts Center, discussed current activities at DAMAC, including plans to develop a comprehensive plan for the center that incorporates activities and historic preservation.

The Commissioners agreed that the David Adler Estate meets points a, b and e of Section 6: Criteria for Landmark Designation of the Historic Preservation Ordinance (12-O-15).

With no further discussion, Commissioner Kollman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Del Prato, to recommend approval of the David Adler Estate, 1700 N. Milwaukee Avenue, as a Local Landmark.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

Ms. Bye stated that Cook House Local Landmark Designation Application is targeted to be on the April 26, 2016 Village Board meeting agenda for final approval. The Commissioners discussed having the application for the David Adler Estate go to the Village Board in May as it would align with National Preservation Month.

Ms. Bye stated that the Village Board recently approved removal of the incinerator stacks at the Cook House. She stated that the stacks have become a safety issue and are non-contributing to the historic nature of the structure. She stated that the decision to remove the stacks was made prior to official designation of the Cook House as a local landmark, and that in the future a change like this would require review and approval from the HPC.

Commissioner Hume passed out images of potential plaques for local landmarks. Commissioner Kollman asked if we have money for this in the budget and Ms. Bye stated yes. Commissioner Hamilton-Smith commented on potential vendor issues based upon her experience with similar programs. Commissioner McEwan brought up issues for consideration regarding plaque placement on properties.

Commissioner Hume distributed a Landmark FAQ for property owners that she had created. The document was briefly reviewed by the Commissioners and to be more thoroughly discussed at the May meeting.

Ms. Bye reminded Commissioners that Ms. Ramsey would be holding an open house to discuss the historic survey on Thursday, April 14 at 6 p.m. at Village Hall. She stated that invitations would be sent to all property owners in the study area that week. She stated that Village Trustees and other Village Commissions would also be invited.

With no further discussion, Commissioner Kollman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Del Prato, to adjourn the Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.