



City of La Porte Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 5:30 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers, 801 Michigan Avenue

A meeting of the City of La Porte Historic Preservation Commission (“Commission”) was held at City Hall Council Chambers, 801 Michigan Avenue, La Porte, IN, 46350 on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 5:30 P.M. (“Local Time”), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Commission and the Indiana Open Door Law.

This meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Sallie LaRocco, Chair.

On call of the roll, the members of the Commission were shown to be present or absent as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sallie LaRocco, Fonda Owens, Jeanne Rafaj, Peter Steele, Cassandra Redeagle (arrived 5:39 pm), and Bruce Johnson (Advisory Member)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Maggie Caviston and April Hacker.

GUESTS PRESENT: David Heinold and Deb Parcell

MINUTES: A motion was made by Jeanne Rafaj to approve the February 21, 2024 meeting minutes and the motion was seconded by Fonda Owens. The motion passed 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORTS (CLAIMS, COAs, Demolition Reports):

A. Approval of Claims – March 19, 2024
David explained the two claims related to the Indiana Landmarks Commission Assistance Agreement in the amount of \$4,500 and Indiana Landmarks memberships for commission members in the amount of \$245. Fonda Owens made a motion to approve the March 19, 2024 Claims and the motion was seconded by Jeanne Rafaj. The motion passed 5-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

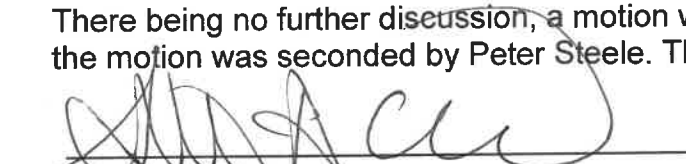
A. HPC Education Session – Deb provided the HPC Education Session on the NAPC Messaging Guide for Local Preservation Programs.

- B. Update on letters to designated homeowners – Jeanne Rafaj passed out an inventory of results from the distribution of designated homeowner welcome packets. There was discussion about homeowner welcome packets. The board discussed getting the remaining plaques to homeowners without them and installing one of the remaining plaques on City Hall. David will look into what it takes to install the plaque on City Hall and report back to the board next month.
- C. Events and Outreach – None.

HEARING OF VISITORS: Deb mentioned that the HPC Code Enforcement session will take place on April 2nd, 6:00 pm at the Health Foundation of La Porte building for members and City staff members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Peter mentioned that the 1403 Indiana Avenue (George Wood Allen house) just recently sold to a new owner.

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Cassandra Redeagle to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Peter Steele. The meeting adjourned at 6:07 PM.



Historic Preservation Commission Chair



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