

MINUTES

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REGULAR MEETING

GOVERNMENT CENTER, 4th FLOOR, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 115 E WASHINGTON STREET, BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701 THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022 5:00 P.M.

The Historic Preservation Commission convened in regular session in-person in the 4th Floor Council Chambers of the Government Center at 5:05 p.m., Thursday, August 18, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scharnett.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Mr. Paul Scharnett	Chair	Present
Mr. Greg Koos (via phone)	Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Georgene Chissell	Commissioner	Not Present
Ms. Sherry Graehling	Commissioner	Present
Ms. Dawn Peters	Commissioner	Present
Mr. John Elterich	Commissioner	Present
Ms. Kim Miller	Commissioner	Present
Mr. George Boyle	Assistant Corporate Counsel	Present
Ms. Kimberly Smith	Assistant Economic & Community Development Director	Present
Ms. Alissa Pemberton	Assistant City Planner	Present
Mr. Glen Wetterow	City Planner	Present

Mr. Elterich made a motion to allow Commissioner Koos to participate via phone. The motion was seconded by Ms. Graehling. All were in favor (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MINUTES

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the July 21, 2022, Historic Preservation Commission meeting. Mr. Elterich made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Graehling. All were in favor (6-0).

REGULAR AGENDA

A. BHP-21-22 Consideration, review and action on a request submitted by Cindy Grieves and Molly Bradle for a Rust Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 for façade repairs on the property located at 106 Front Street (PIN: 21-04-339-013), c. 1870, (Ward 6).

Mr. Wetterow presented the case with a staff recommendation for approval of a Funk Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. He stated this item had been continued from the July meeting.

Chair Scharnett indicated that he had reviewed the Commission's concerns with the applicant's architect.

Mr. Matt Brown, representing the applicant, provided additional background information, including details regarding the existing façade and overall project considerations. He stated there will be tuckpointing, as needed. He added that when the existing sign is removed, they will be contacting the appropriate professionals.

Chair Scharnett inquired about the condition of the exposed and unexposed brick. Mr. Brown stated he suspected the unexposed brick would be in comparable or possibly better condition since it had not been exposed to elements.

Ms. Graehling motioned to accept the findings of fact as presented by staff and approve a Rust Grant in the amount requested. Mr. Elterich seconded. All were in favor. (6-0)

B. BHP-23-22 Consideration, review and action on a request submitted by Jared Lacy for a Funk Grant in the amount of \$984.47 for awning installation on the property located at 404 N Main Street (PIN: 21-04-188-019), c. 1900, (Ward 6).

Mr. Wetterow presented the case with a staff recommendation for approval of a Funk Grant in the amount of \$984.47.

Jared Lacy, applicant, provided additional information on the request, including a brief history of the property.

The Commission discussed various aspects of the application. They stated awnings were generally considered lower priority and this was not historic in nature, however, the impact would be beneficial.

Ms. Graehling motioned to accept the findings of fact as presented by staff and award a Funk Grant in the amount requested. Ms. Peters seconded. All were in favor. (6-0)

C. BHP-24-22 Consideration, review and action on a request submitted by Daniel Platt for a Certificate of Appropriateness for window replacement on the property located at 24 Whites Place (PIN: 14-33-479-033), c. 1899, (Ward 4).

Mr. Wetterow presented the case with a recommendation for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Mr. Daniel Platt, applicant, provided additional information, including details about the existing window. He stated all other windows at the residence have been replaced at some point, although he was a new owner.

The Commission discussed the application. They stated repair is strongly preferred versus replacement, if possible. They agreed it currently did not meet the standards of review. They encouraged the applicant to revise the application and to consider applying for a Funk Grant.

Ms. Graehling motioned to continue the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to the next meeting. Mr. Elterich seconded. All were in favor. (6-0)

D. BHP-25-22 Consideration, review and action on a request submitted by Brian & Rachel Cremer for a Certificate of Appropriateness for window and roof replacement on the property located at 1006 N Prairie Street (PIN: 21-04-201-014), c. 1925, (Ward 7).

Mr. Wetterow presented the case with a recommendation for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

The applicant was not present.

The Commission discussed deficiencies with the application, as well as the fact that the work was unpermitted and already complete. They agreed it currently did not meet the standards of review.

Mr. Koos motioned to <u>not</u> accept the findings of fact as presented by staff and <u>not</u> grant a Certificate of Appropriateness. Mr. Elterich seconded. All were in favor. (6-0)

OLD BUSINESS

The applicant from a previously approved case at 102 W Washington Street inquired about details of the approval. The Commission advised the applicant.

Chair Scharnett stated he had met with representatives of Town of Normal Historic Preservation Commission, and they discussed possible ways to leverage resources without duplication.

The Commission continued discussion of various theme updates of the Preservation Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion regarding recording of ordinances and consistency. There was additional discussion regarding mailing annual letters to historic properties and creating maps for historic purposes.

Chair Scharnett relayed information from a recent building code workshop.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Graehling motioned to adjourn. Ms. Peters seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm.