



Agenda
Village of Glen Ellyn
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Thursday, September 16, 2021
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Historical Society
800 N. Main Street
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

- A. Call Historic Preservation Commission Meeting to Order**
- B. Approval of Draft Minutes from August 19, 2021**
 - 1) Draft Minutes from the August 19, 2021 Historic Preservation Commission meeting
- C. Public Comment (Non Agenda Items)**
- D. Old Business**
- E. New Business**
 - 1) Continued discussion about Commission goals and priorities including events and outreach activities
- F. Historical Society Business**
- G. Chairman's Report**
- H. Village Board Trustee Report**
- I. Staff Report**
- J. Confirmation of Next Meeting Date and Adjournment**

cc: Historic Preservation Commission Members
Kelly Kalinich, Trustee Liaison
Associate Planner, Staff Liaison
Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary
Staci Springer, Community Development Director
Kelly Purvis, Planning Manager
Steve Witt, Building & Zoning Official
Lori Gloude, Administrative Assistant
Mark Franz, Village Manager
Emily Rodman, Assistant Village Manager
Lindsey Kaminsky, Executive Assistant
Brian Baltudis, Facilities Manager

Dear Interested Citizens:

This note provides you with information regarding what happens to a petition after it has appeared before the Historic Preservation Commission. After the Commission makes a recommendation on a petition, minutes of the meeting are prepared. The petition is then scheduled for consideration by the Village Board. The Village Board meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in a meeting room on the third floor of the Civic Center, 535 Duane Street. Questions regarding petitions scheduled for review by the Village Board should be directed to the Community Development Department at (630) 547-5250.

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**Glen Ellyn Historic
Preservation Commission**
535 Duane Street
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Meeting 9/16/2021 7:00 PM
Department: Community Development
Department Head: Staci Springer
Category: Minutes
Prepared By: Kelly Purvis

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-
1407)**

DOC ID: 2021-1407

Draft Minutes from the August 19, 2021 Historic Preservation Commission meeting

Statement of the Issue:

NA

Analysis:

NA

Budget Impact:

NA

Action Requested:

Review and Approve

Attachments:

1. Aug 2021 Historical Preservation Commission Minutes



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Historic Preservation
Regular Meeting
August 19, 2021
7:00PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 306

Board or Commission: Historic Preservation
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Date: August 19, 2021
Called to Order: 7:00 p.m.
Adjourned: 8:39 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Penn French	Chairman	Present
Nathan A. Darga	Commissioner	Present
John Day	Commissioner	Present
Phil Hartweg	Commissioner	Present
Ian Hood	Commissioner	Present
Barb Lemme	Commissioner	Present
Lisa Sallwasser	Commissioner	Present
Also Present:		
Kelly Purvis	Village Planner – Staff Liaison	Present
Jane Blatchford	Student Commissioner	Present
Karen Hall	Executive Director of the Historical Society	Present
Kelly Kalinich	Trustee Liaison	Present
Elisa Pollina	Recording Secretary	Present
Public Present:		
Lee Marks		Present
Don Ohlinger	671 Prairie Ave, GE	Present

A. CALL TO ORDER

The **August 19, 2021** regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Chairman French at **7:00 PM** at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 20, 2021 MEETING - Commissioner Lemme motions to approve the minutes; Commissioner Darga seconds the motion.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING 5/20/2021

RESULT: Motion Unanimously Carried

MOVER: Commissioner Lemme

SECONDER: Commissioner Darga

AYES: 6

ABSTAINS: Day

C. PUBLIC COMMENT – Glen Ellyn resident and former chairman of the HPC Lee Marks passes down information that he has obtained throughout his years of Historic Preservation. He also gives Chairman French files that he and former Chairman Loftus have acquired. Marks states he is happy to help out the HPC whenever needed. Chairman French thanks Marks and appreciates his wealth of knowledge on Historic Preservation.

D. OLD BUSINESS - None

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. *671 Prairie Avenue – Consideration of an application for alteration to a landmarked property* - Staff Liaison Purvis reports on the property owner of 671 Prairie Avenue, Don Ohlinger, and his alteration requests. Don Ohlinger came before the Historic Preservation Commission in January of 2011 to request a landmark designation for his home. The Commission held a public hearing on February 24, 2011 and unanimously voted to recommend approval of the landmarking of the property citing that the home meets the following criteria:

A. The house on the property has been maintained to preserve the original architecture reminiscent of the early 1950s time period and is valued as an example of the architectural, cultural, economic, historic, and social aspects of life in the Village of Glen Ellyn during that time period.

B. The subject property was built in 1952 and is an excellent example of a ranch style home. The home has an inset front porch, attached garage, rectangular massing and historic 2/2 horizontal wood windows.

On March 11, 2011, with the passing of Ordinance No. 5923, the Village Board designated 671 Prairie Avenue a local Glen Ellyn Landmark. The property was included in the 2007 Architectural Resources Survey conducted by Granacki Historic Consultants. The results of the survey indicate that the home is of architectural significance. The only major project that changed the integrity of the original structure is a one story rear addition completed in 1972.

Property owner Ohlinger is requesting an alteration to his landmarked home. He is proposing to increase the size of the garage door opening by approximately 1 foot. The replacement door will either be of wood or metal material and will be painted in a color similar to the existing garage door.

Ohlinger states his final decision is to go with the wood door. It is the same door, but will be 1 foot wider than it is now.

The HPC discusses the request and reviews photos of the home. Commissioner Day motions to approve the application for an alteration to 671 Prairie Avenue; Commissioner Darga seconds the motion.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR AN ALTERATION TO 671 PRAIRIE AVENUE

RESULT: Motion Unanimously Carried

MOVER: Commissioner Day

SECONDER: Commissioner Darga

AYES: 7

Staff Liaison Purvis states Ohlinger can come by and pick up his permit. Ohlinger thanks the HPC.

2. Information Memo: Welcome new members; Discussion of HPC goals – Chairman French welcomes 3 new members to the HPC – Commissioners John Day and Barb Lemme, and Student Commissioner Janie Blatchford. Chairman French asks the commission members to give a brief introduction.

Commissioner Lemme grew up in Glen Ellyn and graduated from Glenbard East. She worked as a psychologist at COD for 32 years, is the author of 4 psychology text books, and is the owner of the small business, Sign of the Whale Antiques. She is also the new president of Downtown Alliance and Citizens of Glen Ellyn, and is an active member of Save Main.

Commissioner Day has been a resident of Glen Ellyn since the early 60's; he has a background in finance and real estate and has spent 25 years in affordable housing. Previously, he was a part of the Recreation and Plan Commissions and he and his wife

own Bottle and Bottega.

Student Commissioner Jane Blatchford is a senior at Glenbard West High School; she is involved in Model United Nations, Tennis, and writes for the newspaper. She applied for the Student Commissioner position to learn more about government and Historic Preservation.

Trustee Liaison Kalinich was born and raised in Glen Ellyn and is using this opportunity to give back to the community.

Commissioner Sallwesser has been a Glen Ellyn resident for 27 years and is the founding member of Go Downtown Group. Her background is in designing retail spaces and hotels; she has designed banners for Marcel's Culinary Experience and Marche.

Commissioner Hood has been a Glen Ellyn resident for 6 years and is a Tech. Consultant. He grew up in a family that valued Historic Preservation.

Commissioner Hartweg has been a Glen Ellyn resident since 1970 and has served on several commissions and was a Trustee.

Commissioner Darga has been a Glen Ellyn resident for 10 years. He is a city planner for Romeoville and joined the commission so he can give back to his community.

Trustee Kalinich adds she appreciates the HPC's time, expertise, and their shared objective of preservation.

HPC Goals – Chairman French would like to discuss goals and priorities for the HPC from now until the end of 2022 and create a master plan of how to accomplish those goals. In particular, Chairman French would like to focus on having a bigger impact on the community by engaging a broader base of residents (see previously adopted goals attachment).

Chairman French states that the GE Historic Home Event will cover 6 of our goals (see attached handout). The whole purpose of this event is to educate and inform while maximizing impact. He asks how to get plaqued and landmarked homeowners engaged and how to tap into those who have done this before. This event is a way to gather these people together, get them involved, and allow them to gather information from one another. He asks if this event is worth doing. Lee Marks states we did something similar to this in the past and it was well received. I would suggest doing this more than once a year. The biggest confusion is the difference between Historic Plaques and Landmarked Plaques. Chairman French states the more people we get involved, the better. The HPC can become a catalyst of starting more conversations.

Commissioner Lemme states she thinks it is a great idea and would like to include commercial residents as well. She would love to be involved in the event to help collaborate with the cross groups. Commissioner Darga states that it is a good idea to do the event more frequently, but we would want to change the presentation topics and

venues. We would also need to create a specific dollar amount for such an outreach event. Staff Liaison Purvis adds that the \$1500 funding is still available since it was not used this past year due to Covid.

Commissioner Lemme states the Downtown Alliance does a scavenger hunt to engage the young families. She asks if that could be a possibility for the HPC to do. Executive Director Hall adds we did one during Covid and it was well received. Student Commissioner Blatchford states that it would be a great way to get the younger audience involved. This could be accomplished by using Instagram and Facebook as a way to reach younger people.

Chairman French thanks the HPC and states the next steps would be to come up with topics for the event.

F. HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUSINESS – Executive Director Hall reports that Staci's Tavern is celebrating 75 years. Our upcoming events are: Pioneer Day (formally Tavern Day) is September 26th, 2021. We are also having our Fall Kickoff Reception for GEHS on September 16 from 5-7p.m. and Smithsonian Museum Day on September 18 from 1-4:30p.m.

G. CHAIRMAN REPORT – None

H. VILLAGE BOARD TRUSTEE REPORT – None

I. STAFF REPORT – Staff Liaison Purvis reports we are still searching for an Associate Planner. We have interviews set up next week. We hope to have the position filled by the September meeting.

L. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE - A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Day and second by Commissioner Darga. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Next Meeting Date is scheduled for September 16, 2021

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Kelly Purvis, Staff Liaison



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Meeting 9/16/2021 7:00 PM
Department: Community Development
Department Head: Staci Springer
Category: Discussion Item
Prepared By: Kelly Purvis

**AGENDA ITEM (ID # 2021-
1408)**

DOC ID: 2021-1408

Continued discussion about Commission goals and priorities including events and outreach activities

Statement of the Issue:

Chairman French would like to continue discussion related to Commission goals and priorities from now through 2022. Previously adopted goals from last year have been attached for the Commission's use.

Analysis:

Budget Impact:

Action Requested:

Please come to the meeting with ideas to discuss.

Attachments:

1. 2020 Historic Preservation Commission Goals

MEMORANDUM

TO: Historic Preservation Commission
FROM: Cole Jackson, Associate Planner
DATE: February 20, 2020
RE: Historic Preservation Commission 2020 Goals – Final Copy



Background

Each year, the Historic Preservation Commission sets a list of annual goals to work towards throughout the year. At the January 16, 2020 meeting, the Historic Preservation Commission discussed the goals from 2019 and potential updates for 2020. Based on that discussion, staff added goals nine and ten to the list. Below is a list of the Historic Preservation Commission's goals for 2020.

1. Continue to encourage landmarking of Village residences and commercial buildings by generating ongoing print and media coverage to promote local landmark designations and follow up with direct mailings and neighborhood meetings for possible designees.
2. Create a list that includes homes that have both a) received a historical plaque from the Historical Society within the last three years, and b) are considered significant homes. Contact these homeowners for interest in Landmark status with a letter and work to improve response rates.
3. Promote heritage tourist activities such as self-guided tours of local landmarked properties with a paper map or pamphlet that highlights 10 properties along Main Street from Stacy's Corners to the north edge of Downtown.
4. Explore the establishment of local Glen Ellyn Landmark Districts.
5. Work more closely with the Chamber of Commerce and other groups to actively promote Glen Ellyn History and Stacy's Tavern Museum to the benefit of all and explore additional partnerships with other local agencies engaged with historic preservation.
6. Explore various social media strategies to further promote public outreach for landmarking homes.
7. Encourage younger generations to participate and engage in historic preservation through such events as trivia nights at local establishments. Create activities for Preservation Month in May that will further promote historic preservation to younger generations.
8. Promote Historic Preservation in public spaces. Work with the Village to display educational information and Historic Preservation guidelines in public buildings and venues.
9. Partner with other groups, where appropriate, to promote historic preservation at events, such as the North Main Street Neighborhood block party.
10. Start a dialogue with community members, including realtors, through an informal "coffee with the commission" type event.