



**GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The March 4, 2014 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:33 p.m. in the Conference Room.

*The following members were present:*

Chairman Tom Scheckelhoff, John Eifler, Diane Schwarzbach, Peter Van Vechten, and Rod Winn

*The following members were absent:*

None

*The following staff was present:*

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

**2. CONSIDER THE FEBRUARY 4, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the February 4, 2014 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved as amended.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

Bob Sideman was in attendance.

Jon Kogan, of Highgate Builders, Inc., was in attendance representing the buyers of the "Allen G. Mills Residence" at 135 Maple Hill Road. Mr. Parch stated that Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for the property at their February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting and that letters were sent to the current owners, Lee & Barbara Mitchell, and the buyer on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Parch noted that the property was listed as significant on both the current Historic Architectural Survey and the previous "300 List".

Mr. Kogan explained that he was the contractor of record for the buyers who planned to demolish the existing structure in order to build a new home designed by the buyers' architect. The names of the buyers were not disclosed, however, Mr. Kogan indicated they were a young couple moving to Glencoe from Chicago.

Mr. Parch reported that he spoke to Lee Mitchell by phone on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, who explained he was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Mitchell shared that he and his wife owned the property for 30 years, and during that time received two awards from the Commission recognizing improvements made to the home and garage. Mr. Mitchell explained that he was approached directly by the buyers about selling the property and it was not listed on the MLS. He shared that he received no encouragement from realtors about selling the home to a buyer interested in preservation, given the approximate 30,000+ S.F. lot area and current siting of the home near the rear of the property.

Members of the Commission recognized that they could not dissuade the sellers or buyers from demolition and expressed their disappointment about the loss of this home. Commissioners acknowledged that, despite their research, no documentation was found to support that architects Holabird & Roche designed the home.

#### 4. **REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST**

Mr. Parch reported that he and Bob Sideman continued to work together on finalizing edits to the Master List – Residential Only.

Mr. Sideman noted that on February 26<sup>th</sup> he met with graphic designer Jennifer Logothetti-Gordon of Highland Park who was recommended to him by a member of the Highland Park Historic Preservation Commission. He explained to her Glencoe’s current survey project and shared copies of earlier Commission publications, including the Glencoe Architectural Guide Map from 1992. He inquired about her interest in developing a brochure, or other graphic support, to assist the Commission in promoting the Historic Architectural Survey.

Mr. Parch noted that Ms. Logothetti-Gordon subsequently provided preliminary estimates for the design of three brochure concepts. She also provided samples of her work completed for Highland Park. Mr. Parch distributed copies of the estimates and work samples and they were reviewed by Commissioners. Mr. Parch noted that specific funds weren’t included for design and printing of a brochure in the FY 2015 budget, although Commissioners may consider reallocating their budgeted funds for such a project, depending on cost. He noted that there is definite precedent for the Commission to produce educational brochures and materials. After some discussion, it was agreed that the current budget could likely cover design fees, but not printing costs, which could be done in-house initially with additional funding planned for and budgeted for in next year’s budget. Mr. Parch noted that he would contact Ms. Logothetti-Gordon to setup a meeting.

#### 5. **STANDING PROJECTS**

- A) **Ravine Bluffs Entrance Feature Monuments** – Mr. Parch stated the Village Board approved the FY 2015 budget on February 20<sup>th</sup>, which included \$23,000 to address the remaining items with Monument 1 (205 Franklin Rd) and for the complete restoration of Monument 2 (265 Franklin Rd).
- B) **Certified Local Government Program** – Mr. Parch reported that the application paperwork was started but not yet completed due to other projects.

- C) **Water Plant** - Mr. Parch noted that he spoke to Water Plant Superintendent Tom Weathers about a Saturday morning tour of the Water Plant. It was agreed to schedule the tour for Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

6. **“INQUIRIES” AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS**

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 570 Jackson Avenue and decided to take no further action.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.