

# GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The November 8, 2011 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:* 

John Eifler, Diane Schwarzbach, Peter Van Vechten, and Rod Winn

*The following members were absent:* 

Tom Scheckelhoff

*The following staff was present:* 

Nathan Parch, Community Development Analyst

## 2. CONSIDER THE OCTOBER 17, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the October 17, 2011 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

## 3. NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND VISITORS

Greg Turner of 205 Old Green Bay Road was in attendance.

# 4. ADVISORY REVIEW OF 790 SHERIDAN ROAD

Commissioner Eifler had disclosed that he had an interest in the property and therefore recused himself from consideration of this matter.

Homeowner Susan Solway and her architect Douglas Gilbert were in attendance to review plans to construct a rear sunroom addition at 790 Sheridan Road. Known as the Edmund D. Brigham House, the home was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and built in 1908. It was designated a landmark on June 11, 1992.

Given the home's landmark status, Nathan Parch stated that advisory review was required for any physical modifications to the structure per Article V of the Village's historic preservation regulations. Mr. Parch explained the procedure for an advisory review conference and distributed the criteria for the Commission to consider as part of its evaluation.

Mr. Gilbert explained that the sunroom structure would be clad in stucco and painted to match the home. The windows were selected to match those existing at the southeast end of the home. Eaves and gutters would match the existing home and the asphalt shingles would match those on the porte cochere and kitchen roof. Ms. Solway stated that the existing trellis was added in 1969 and was not shown on the original home drawings.

Several members of the Commission felt the proposed rear stoop was too shallow in width and that the position of the stairs and raised planter was awkward in terms of ingress/egress and overall function. Aside from this concern Commissioners agreed that the proposed addition to the home would not change the criteria used to designate the home in 1992.

It was moved by Commissioner Van Vechten and seconded by Commissioner Schwarzbach to support the plans as presented for 790 Sheridan Road with the recommendation that the rear stoop and stairs/raised planter be reconfigured. Said motion was approved by the following vote:

AYE: Schwarzbach, Van Vechten, & Winn (3)

NAY: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Eifler (1)

ABSENT: Scheckelhoff (1)

### 5. PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF RAVINE BLUFFS HISTORIC DISTRICT

The Commission discussed the possibility of a historic district in the Ravine Bluffs neighborhood. Commissioners inquired about the process for designation of a historic district and what, if any, impacts a district would have on existing non-contributing structures. It was agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting.

## 6. "INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS

Commissioners reviewed an October 20, 2011 inquiry regarding demolition of 414 Washington Avenue. While the property is not a designated or certified landmark, it is listed on the Heritage List for its architectural significance. Commissioners agreed to continue discussion of this property at the next meeting.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.