

## GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

# 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The August 4, 2015 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:34 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The following members were present:

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

The following members were absent:

#### Rod Winn

The following staff was present:

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

### 2. CONSIDER THE JULY 15, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the July 15<sup>th</sup> Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

### 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

Bob Sideman and Greg Turner were in attendance.

Mr. Turner suggested that the Commission consider hosting an educational forum for realtors to review with them the various historic designations (significant, honorary, & certified) and what each means. Commissioners were very supportive of the idea and agreed it should be held once the survey work is complete. Mr. Turner offered to help organize the event.

### 4. **REVIEW PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM**

Mr. Parch indicated that three judges will need to be recruited. The awards ceremony will be held in October and the tour with judges in September. It was agreed that Mr. Parch would email Commissioners potential dates for both.

#### 5. REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST

In advance of the meeting Commissioners received a listing of additional properties to consider - noted for their historic and architectural significance - that were overlooked as part

of previous survey efforts, along with historic news clippings/articles and further supplementary information. Mr. Parch stated that he worked with Mr. Sideman on this latest effort. Mr. Sideman commented that his intent in recommending several of the additions was to add some diversity to the project by highlighting Glencoe's African American and Italian heritage. Mr. Parch presented photos of approximately 30 properties and Commissioners evaluated each one based on its historic and architectural significance.

Commissioner Van Vechten reported on the research he completed on Keck & Keck based on their published index of projects for Glencoe. He noted that of the 33 houses originally constructed in Glencoe, six were demolished and 27 remain. The majority of houses (23) are located in the Forest Crest subdivision and four are located elsewhere, including: 749 Brookvale Terrace; 244 Hazel Avenue; 182 LaPier Street; and 730 Redwood Lane.

### 6. **STANDING PROJECTS**

- A) **Ravine Bluffs Entrance Feature Monuments** Commissioners reviewed a draft thank you letter to the Village Board drafted by Commissioner Van Vechten. It was agreed that Mr. Parch would finalize the letter and forward it to the Village Board on behalf of the Commission.
- B) Water Plant Commissioners reviewed a draft letter to the Village Board drafted by Commissioner Van Vechten advocating for preservation of the Water Plant in its current form. Commissioners discussed the five options under evaluation as part of the Water System Study prepared by engineering firm Strand Associates. After some discussion, it was apparent that additional clarification was needed on the option to renovate the existing structure, specifically whether or not it would include building additions to house new equipment. It was agreed that Mr. Parch would seek clarification prior to the letter being finalized.

#### 7. "INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 135 Beach Road and decided to take no further action.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.