

GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The January 5, 2016 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The following members were present:

Tom Scheckelhoff, Chairman, John Eifler, Diane Schwarzbach, Greg Turner, & Peter Van Vechten

The following members were absent:

None

The following staff was present:

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

2. CONSIDER THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 AND DECEMBER 1, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the November 3rd and December 1st Historic Preservation Commission meetings were approved.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

Bob Sideman was in attendance.

Commissioner Eifler stated that he removed the soil from the lower planter at 277 Sylvan Road and explained why it was not draining.

4. DISCUSS PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM

Mr. Parch stated that a press release was in the process of being drafted. He also reported that North Shore Community Bank & Trust, at 362 Park Avenue, agreed to allow the posters showcasing award winning projects to be mounted in the windows of their conference room facing Vernon Avenue. Commissioner Van Vechten suggested contacting the press in advance of the posters being displayed. Mr. Sideman suggested that a thank you letter from the Commission be sent to the bank thanking them for their support and cooperation.

5. REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST

Mr. Parch reminded Commissioners that an updated draft of the Historic Architectural Survey for residential properties was distributed to Commissioners on November 19th for the purpose of final review and editing. Commissioner Van Vechten raised several properties for the Commission to consider removing from the list. Following review and discussion, action was taken as noted below:

- 534 Greenleaf Avenue remove
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- 550 Greenleaf Avenue remove
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- 836 Greenleaf Avenue keep
- 779 Greenwood Avenue remove
- 814 Grove Street remove due to major alteration
- 333 Jefferson Avenue keep for historic purposes
- 580 Longwood Avenue keep
- 211 Park Avenue remove
- 424 Washington Avenue remove

The following properties were also reviewed:

- 610 Greenleaf Avenue remove due to lack of significance
- 440 Sheridan Road remove due to alteration
- 589 Sheridan Road consider adding pending further research

Commissioner Van Vechten reported that he, Mr. Sideman, and Mr. Parch met several times since the last meeting to work through discrepancies regarding the Seyfarth properties and the landscape designs attributed to Jens Jensen.

Commissioner Van Vechten stated that he, Mr. Sideman, and Mr. Parch met with Susan Benjamin on January 4th regarding her assistance with two potential projects: (1) an introductory essay for the website; and (2) bios for the architects who have worked in Glencoe and are included on the survey. A handout was distributed that summarized the proposed theme for the essay: *Glencoe – A Socially and Architecturally Unique Village*. Additionally, a list of architects included on the survey was distributed noting recommendations for those which bios should be prepared. Commissioners were in agreement regarding preparation of the essay with a limit of no more than two pages. There wasn't agreement on how many of the architects or for which ones bios should be prepared, and it was expected for discussion to continue at the next meeting. It was agreed that the priority should be the essay in terms of funding from the current budget. Mr. Parch stated that he would contact Susan Benjamin regarding a scope of work and proposal.

Commissioners discussed the development of a section on the Village's website to provide easy access to the survey information. This section will include photos of the properties, an essay on the architecture of Glencoe, and a Q&A regarding the survey that explains the intent, methodology, and source information.

It was agreed to postpone the Village Board presentation from January until February or March in order to allow additional time to complete edits to the survey and for Susan Benjamin to prepare the essay.

6. **STANDING PROJECTS**

There was no discussion on this item.

7. "INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS

It was agreed to send the draft letter prepared by Mr. Parch regarding the proposed demolition of 1017 Forest Avenue.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.