



GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The December 6, 2016 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:

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

The following members were absent:

Greg Turner

The following staff was present:

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

2. CONSIDER THE OCTOBER 4, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the October 4 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Bob Sideman and Louis Goldman were in attendance.

4. CONSIDER CERTIFIED LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF 885 ELM PLACE

Members of the Commission reviewed an application for certified landmark designation submitted by Robert and Jennifer Lev for their home at 885 Elm Place. Mr. Lev was in attendance along with Susan Benjamin of Benjamin Historic Certifications.

Known historically as the Benjamin and Gertrude Harris House, the home was designed by architect Fred Koenig in the Tudor Revival style and built in 1929. Mr. and Mrs. Harris were longtime owners of the home, from 1933 to 1989. They were both chemists and are significant for their professional contributions and for their dedication to Jewish causes, both locally and nationally.

Ms. Benjamin stated that further research on the Harrises could be completed and would make for a wonderful human interest article worthy of publishing. Commissioner Schwarzbach stated that her granddaughter, Marissa Wojcik, is working on a master's degree in Jewish Studies from Spertus in Chicago and may be interested in assisting with the research.

Commissioners were in agreement to schedule a public hearing for consideration of the application at the January 3 meeting.

5. **CONSIDER HONORARY LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF 411 LAKESIDE TERRACE**

Members of the Commission reviewed an application for honorary landmark designation prepared by Commissioner Eifler on behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission for the home at 411 Lakeside Terrace.

Known historically as the Charles Henry Hermann House, it was designed by architect Howard Van Doren Shaw and built in 1911. Commissioners agreed to initiate the landmark nomination process at the October 4 meeting following discussion of a zoning inquiry for a new single-family house on the property.

Commissioners were in agreement to schedule a public hearing for consideration of the application at the January 3 meeting.

6. **REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST**

Susan Benjamin gave an update on the essay she is working on.

Mr. Parch highlighted a new section on the Village website titled Glencoe Landmarks & Significant Properties. This section includes information about the Historic Glencoe survey and directs all questions and inquiries to Mr. Parch.

7. **STANDING PROJECTS**

There was no discussion of this item.

8. **"INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS**

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 565 Monroe Avenue and decided to take no further action.

Commission members reviewed two demolition applications submitted by Bayit Builders, a new builder to Glencoe, for homes located at 854 Bluff Road and 190 Fairview Road. Neither home is protected with landmark status, but both are architecturally significant and have been identified as such dating back to the Village's first historic architectural survey completed in 1985.

Address: 854 Bluff Street

Historic Name of Structure: Harry A. Peters

Architectural Style: Arts & Crafts

Architect: Unknown

Construction Date: 1914

Notes: Mr. Peters was a general contractor whose firm built an addition to Glencoe School, 1914, and all of the Frank Lloyd Wright houses in Ravine Bluffs, 1915-1916.

Address: 190 Fairview Road

Historic Name of Structure: Charles B. Stumes

Architectural Style: Tudor Revival

Architect: S.S. Beman

Construction Date: 1924

Notes: Mr. Stumes was with Stumes & Loeb, insurance.

Commissioners directed Mr. Parch to send a letter to Bayit Builders inviting a representative to attend the January 3 meeting to discuss their plans.

Mr. Parch referenced the November 22 letter sent to the listing agent representing 615 Lincoln Avenue. The property is bank owned and is for sale through online auction at <http://www.hubzu.com>.

Address: 615 Lincoln Avenue

Historic Name of Structure: Edward L. Glaser

Architectural Style: Tudor Revival

Architect: Benjamin Marshall (1916 Alterations & Additions)

Construction Date: c. 1909

Notes: Originally known as "Rosemor Lodge", part of a 50-acre property. Mr. Glaser was Chairman, Rosenbaum Brothers, grain elevators. Benjamin Marshall expanded the original 4-room house in 1916. Original landscaping by Jens Jensen, 1910 and 1917.

The Commission discussed the possibility of nominating the home at 615 Lincoln Avenue for inclusion on the *Most Endangered Historic Places in Illinois* list through Landmarks Illinois. Mr. Parch agreed to get a copy of the nomination form.

Commissioner Eifler reviewed the status of the landmark proceedings for the John Van Bergen designed home at 1570 Hawthorne Lane in Highland Park, for which a demolition application was filed. It was agreed to send a letter to the Highland Park City Council supporting landmark designation of this property.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.