

GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The March 8, 2016 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The following members were present:

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

The following members were absent:

Diane Schwarzbach

The following staff was present:

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

2. CONSIDER THE FEBRUARY 2, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the February 2^{nd} Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

Bob Sideman was in attendance.

Commissioner Eifler reported that the glass light fixture was broken on Ravine Bluffs monument #3 at the dead end of Sylvan Road. Mr. Parch stated he would have John Houde address it.

Mr. Parch distributed a preiminary landmark application from Jim and Jean Jorgensen for certification of their home at 35 Aspen Lane. Commissioners were in agreement to schedule a public hearing for consideration of the application at the April 5th meeting. Mr. Parch agreed to inquire with the homeowners about scheduling a house tour on a Saturday morning in advance of the public hearing.

4. CONSIDER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Parch stated that he was in the process of completing the Commission's 2015 annual report for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and would email a final draft for review and comment in the next few days.

5. REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST

Commissioners reviewed a cumulative list of architects who designed buildings in Glencoe that are also included on the Historic Architectural Survey. Commissioner Van Vechten explained that he organized the list of architects into four categories:

- 1) Architect's Significance to Community;
- 2) Architect's Professional, National, International Importance;
- 3) Architect's Regional Importance; and
- 4) Architect's Local Importance.

Also noted separately were landscape architects and golf course architects and various developers. For most architects in categories 1 and 2 information is available on Wikipedia. Susan Benjamin and Mr. Sideman are familiar with many as well, which is noted. A few draft architect biographies were already prepared by Mr. Sideman as examples.

Commissioners were in agreement to focus primarily on those architects included in categories 1 and 2, along with a few select others from categories 3 and 4 and the landscape and golf course architects. It was also agreed that it would be helpful to know the total number of Glencoe projects designed by each architect. Commissioner Van Vechten agreed to edit the list and to add the requested information. The list will then be distributed for Commissioners to sign-up for the architects they are interested in preparing short bios for. The biographies will ultimately accompany the survey information on the Village website.

Commissioner Turner explained that since the last meeting he and Commissioner Eifler collaborated on a draft work/release plan regarding the rollout of the survey project and its various layers and components. A framework for the work/release plan was presented. The next step will be to assign due dates to each of the deliverables noted on the plan. Commissioners were supportive of this initiative.

6. HISTORIC GLENCOE

Mr. Parch shared that Karen Ettelson and Peter Van Vechten of the Glencoe Historical Society attended the February 24th Plan Commission meeting. They presented biographical information about each of the 12 founding members of the Commission along with photos of their homes in Glencoe as part of a 96th anniversary celebration of the Plan Commission's formation in 1920.

Commissioner Van Vechten noted that he discovered a third Glencoe home of Frederick Penfield at 834 Sheridan Road.

7. STANDING PROJECTS

Mr. Parch stated that he had not yet inquired about the status of the Water Plant project, but would do so and report back at a future meeting.

8. "INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS

Commissioners reviewed a real estate listing for 190 Fairview Road advertising the property solely as a teardown. Mr. Parch explained that the property is listed on the Historic Architectural Survey for its significance, but it is not a landmark:

Address: 190 Fairview Road

Historic Name of Structure: Charles B. Stumes

Style: *Tudor Revival* **Architect:** *S.S. Beman* **Construction Date:** 1924

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

It was agreed to send a letter to the realtor and property owner noting the home's significance and the potential for the *Property Tax Assessment Freeze Program* as an incentive for renovation.

Mr. Parch reviewed his recent conversation with the Village Attorney clarifying the historic preservation ordinance as it relates to the advisory review process, specifically for the proposed demolition of an Honorary Landmark. The clarification was in response to the Commission's February 2nd review of a demolition application for 562 Washington Avenue. It was agreed that Mr. Parch would send a letter to the property owners notifying them of the required advisory review process.

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 755 Grove Street and decided to take no further action.

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 834 Greenwood Avenue and decided to take no further action.

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 351 Washington Avenue and decided to take no further action.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.