



GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The April 4, 2017 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:36 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 MARCH 7, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the March 7 Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Bob Sideman was in attendance.

Dudley Onderdonk, of 228 Randolph Street, was in attendance and stated he was considering landmark options for his home.

4. DISCUSS MARCH 16, 2017 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Chairman Scheckelhoff stated that he and Commissioner Schwarzbach attended the March 16 Village Board meeting. Two items were considered by the Village Board: (1) the Commission's annual report for 2016; and (2) a recommendation for designating 411 Lakeside Terrace an Honorary Landmark.

Chairman Scheckelhoff reported that the Board was interested in discussing the possibility of incentives to encourage renovation of older, significant homes. Mr. Parch stated that this discussion would occur as part of a broader analysis of building permit

fees this summer or fall. Associated changes to the historic preservation ordinance may also be considered at that time.

Mr. Parch stated that the Commission's recommendation regarding 411 Lakeside Terrace was approved by the Village Board by a vote of 5 to 1.

5. REVIEW STATUS OF HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY LIST

- a) **Review Draft Letters to Landmark & Significant Property Owners** – Mr. Parch stated that he did not yet complete the draft letters to landmark and significant property owners regarding the Historic Glencoe survey. Mr. Parch asked for thoughts on what to include in the letters. Commissioner Van Vechten suggested inviting owners to learn more by viewing their house files in the Building Department, which may include original building permit records, landmark applications, and additional historic information. Mr. Sideman suggested that owners be invited to share additional information they have about their properties with the Commission.
- b) **Review Possible Additions to the Survey** – Mr. Parch stated it was previously agreed to begin reviewing possible additions to the survey beginning at the April 4 meeting. He noted that this will likely be a standing agenda item for several months.

Mr. Sideman began and reviewed a list of additional houses, landscapes, and early subdivisions for consideration. He provided historic news clippings/articles and related supplementary information in support of his recommendations. Photos of the houses were shown.

Four parks were included in Mr. Sideman's list – Lakefront, Kalk, Shelton, and Veterans. Mr. Onderdonk stated that he is a Park Board member and the Board is working with planning/landscape architecture consultant Altamanu Inc. on a plan for improvements to Lakefront Park. Commissioner Van Vechten stated that he provided research to the Park Board on the history of Lakefront Park. Included in the history were ties to Jens Jensen's involvement with plans for the Park. Mr. Onderdonk invited members to attend the Park District's next meeting on Lakefront Park on Thursday, April 6.

Mr. Sideman suggested consideration also be given to adding Turnbull Woods, Skokie Lagoons, and Chicago Botanic Garden to the list.

Commissioner Van Vechten distributed copies of a preliminary list of additions to the survey that he developed. He stated that he planned to do further research and share more at a future meeting.

No final decisions were made on the proposed additions to the survey. It was agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting.

6. **STANDING PROJECTS**

There was no discussion of this item.

7. **“INQUIRIES” AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS**

Commissioners reviewed demolition applications for 376 Sunrise Circle, 445 Old Green Bay Road, and 57 Maple Hill Road and decided to take no further action.

Mr. Parch stated that he had several conversations with the buyer of 211 Park Avenue who plans to demolish the existing residence and coach house. Commissioner Van Vechten stated that he recently completed some research on the house. He found that Mr. Carrington, who the home is named for, was actually the second owner of the property and was a manufacturer of greeting cards. Mr. Carrington resided in the house from 1912-1929 and during that time developed the two-story commercial building at 345-353 Park Ave in Downtown Glencoe (b. 1914), which now houses Parkway Drugs.

Mr. Parch reported that he had multiple inquiries from various parties about demolition of 615 Lincoln Avenue, particularly after the open house on March 26.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.