



**MINUTES**  
**VILLAGE OF GLENCOE**  
**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Village Hall Conference Room  
675 Village Court  
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 7 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The November 12, 2019 meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Village Hall Conference Room.

*The following Commissioners were present:*

Peter Van Vechten, Chair  
Erika Block  
Mitchell Carrel  
Diane Schwarzbach

*The following were also present:*

Neil Fortunato, architect for 740 Greenwood Avenue  
Jordan Lester

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public on non-agenda items.

**3. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR EXTERIOR MODIFICATIONS TO 740 GREENWOOD AVENUE**

Chair Van Vechten provided the Commission with an overview of the certified landmark located at 740 Greenwood Avenue. Known historically as the James K. Calhoun & Blanche Hurford home, the structure was constructed circa 1894 with a Queen Anne architectural style and was adopted by the Village Board as a certified landmark in October 2000. In addition, the home was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2000.

Mr. Fortunato explained the proposed modification to the home's exterior, which includes the replacement of all existing cedar siding with new natural cedar siding, as well as a limited area of exterior wood trim. He stated that due to water damage, as well as insect and rodent infestation, the home's exterior has significantly deteriorated and that full siding replacement is necessary. Last, Mr. Fortunato shared his prior experience working with historic homes.

Commissioners asked follow-up questions pertaining to the home's exterior. Mr. Fortunato responded that the homeowners already replaced the home's gutters and windows and that they are not looking to replace soffit or fascia at this time. Next, Commissioners asked if the color of the home will be changed. Mr. Fortunato stated that the homeowners would like to paint the home an historically-accurate color but have not decided the final shade as of yet.

At 7:14 p.m., Commissioner Schwarzbach moved, seconded by Commissioner Carrel, to open the public hearing. Commissioner Block recommended that the homeowners work closely with the Village to ensure that they have all the appropriate permits.

Being no further questions, Commissioner Schwarzbach moved, seconded by Commissioner Block, to approve a certificate of appropriateness for proposed exterior modifications to the certified landmark located at 740 Greenwood Avenue. The motion was adopted with the following vote:

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Block, Carrel, Schwarzbach, Van Vechten (4)
<b>NAYS:</b>	None (0)
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None (0)

**4. DISCUSSION REGARDING 2020 COMMISSION PRIORITIES, SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES**

Chair Van Vechten moved Item 6 to the next item for discussion. In looking towards 2020, Chair Van Vechten provided the Commission with an overview of possible Commission action items. The Commission discussed the importance of educating the community about historic preservation, as well as encouraging owners of honorary landmarks to pursue certified landmark status. The Commission discussed developing a variety of outreach methods to engage residents, including letters, brochures, plaques and online educational campaigns. Next, the Commission discussed ways to regularly engage with local realtors and the Village Board, as well as continued examination of the Village’s existing historic preservation ordinances.

**5. DISCUSSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF COMMISSION BUDGET REQUEST FOR STUB YEAR 2020**

The Commissioners discussed preliminary items for inclusion in the Commission’s budget request, such as additional funding for plaques for certified landmark homes. Chair Van Vechten stated that he would prepare a draft request for review at the Commission’s December 3 meeting.

**6. DISCUSSION REGARDING VILLAGE LANDMARK HISTORIC PLAQUES**

No additional discussion on this item took place.

**7. DISCUSSION REGARDING HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY UPDATE**

Chair Van Vechten thanked the Commissioners for taking photos of non-residential homes on the Commission’s Historic Architectural Survey. He reported that Ms. Lester is working with the Village’s GIS team to update the online version of the Survey with the new photos and information.

**8. UPDATE REGARDING 239 FRANKLIN ROAD – SHERMAN BOOTH COTTAGE**

Chair Van Vechten reported that he, along with Village staff and representatives of the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy (FLWBC), have been working extensively since May to find a possible new location for the honorary landmark located at 239 Franklin Road (Sherman Booth Cottage). He explained that the Glencoe Historical Society (GHS) had responded in August to a FLWBC request for proposals to relocate the home to an alternative location within the Glencoe community. Chair Van Vechten stated that since August, several internal GHS issues have arisen but that the Village and FLWBC remain committed to finding an alternative location for the honorary landmark.

**9. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

- Demolition permit application for 373 Jefferson Avenue
- Demolition permit application for 250 Sylvan Road

The Commission decided to take no further action.

**10. ADJOURN**

At 9:10 p.m., Commissioner Block moved, seconded by Commissioner Carrel, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was adopted with the following vote:

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Block, Carrel, Schwarzbach, Van Vechten (4)
<b>NAYS:</b>	None (0)
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None (0)