



GLENCOE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The February 3, 2015 meeting of the Glencoe Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:37 p.m. in the Conference Room.

The following members were present:

Chairman Tom Scheckelhoff, John Eifler, Peter Van Vechten, and Rod Winn

The following members were absent:

Diane Schwarzbach

The following staff was present:

Nathan Parch, Planning & Development Administrator

2. CONSIDER THE JANUARY 13, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the January 13th Historic Preservation Commission meeting were approved as amended.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Bob Sideman, Adam Steinbach, and Greg Turner were in attendance.

Commissioner Van Vechten shared an article from *The North Shore Weekend* regarding demolition of the Keck & Keck-designed Blair House in Lake Bluff. Commissioner Van Vechten questioned how Glencoe demolitions could receive similar coverage. Mr. Parch noted that staff prepares a weekly press briefing every Friday that highlights demolitions of landmark homes when reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission. Mr. Parch agreed to inquire further about the frequency of local papers to run stories from information provided in the weekly press briefing.

4. PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF GLENCOE'S "UPTOWN"

Local architect and Glencoe Historical Society board member Scott Javore presented on the history of "Uptown", more often referred to today as Downtown Glencoe. The presentation was divided into four sections: Early Uptown, 1869-1900; The Decades of Growth, 1900-1940; The Baby Boomers Growing Up, 1940-1980; and The "X" Generation, 1980-2012. Mr. Javore

used historic photos of buildings and block-faces, as well as aerial photos, to accompany his presentation. The photos were organized chronologically, depicting the development of the commercial and public structures within Glencoe's downtown business district from past to present. Mr. Javore's presentation was especially beneficial and informative given the Commission's recent focus on the history and architecture of the downtown buildings.

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

In advance of the meeting Commissioners received a listing of non-residential structures, specifically the commercial buildings in the downtown business district, public buildings, religious buildings, and various structures and landscapes located throughout the Village noted for their historic and architectural significance. Background information for each building (architect, construction date, etc.), and in some cases historic news clippings provided by Bob Sideman, were also distributed. Given the hour, Chairman Scheckelhoff asked for this item to be continued to the next meeting.

6. **STANDING PROJECTS**

- A) **Ravine Bluffs Centennial Celebration 2015** - Reconstruction of the Ravine Bluffs waiting station was discussed. Commissioner Eifler agreed to assist with the preparation of the construction drawings and final details. Some concern was raised about the proposed inclusion of a restroom facility. Commissioner Winn commented that the original/historic use of the structure should not be overshadowed by the proposed new use and amenities offered there.

7. **"INQUIRIES" AND DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS**

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 1142 Fairfield Road and decided to take no further action.

Commissioners reviewed a demolition application for 950 Skokie Ridge Drive and decided to take no further action.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.