KENDALL COUNTY
Historic Preservation Commission
Kendall County Office Building
Rooms 209 & 210
111 W. Fox Street, Yorkville, Illinois
6:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2017

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL
Present: Elizabeth Flowers, Kristine Heiman and Melissa Maye
Absent: Jeff Wehrli
Also present: Matt Asselmeier, Senior Planner
In the audience: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maye, to approve the agenda. With a voice vote of three ayes, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maye, to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2017 meeting. With a voice vote of three ayes, the motion carried.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
Chairwoman Heiman reported that she attended a conference call with the Northern Illinois Historic League on September 26th. Michelle Podkowa reported on the Voices in DuPage Oral History Program. They were having churches do interviews with veterans and recording those interviews. Rachel Leibowitz reported that State Historic Preservation Organization moved into the Department of Natural Resources Building and are assigned to the Office of Land Management. No CLG Coordinator was in place. The federal historic tax credit was threatened. The next conference call is October 24th and Chairwoman Heiman will participate.

Chairwoman Heiman stated that Kelly Schomer and Doug Pfeiffer were members of the Oswego Historic Preservation Commission. Sarah Kimes was an ex-officio member on the Commission from the Park District and Little White School Museum. Ms. Flowers requested that an announcement be made at the County Board meeting that Oswego’s Historic Preservation Commission is looking for members.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None

NEW BUSINESS
Approval of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Meeting Calendar
Mr. Asselmeier presented the proposed fiscal year 2017-2018 meeting calendar.

Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maye, to approve the fiscal year 2017-2018 meeting calendar meeting with the January meeting to be held on January 22nd. With a voice vote of three ayes, the motion carried.
OLD BUSINESS

Review and Recommendation on Historic Preservation Ordinance
Ms. Maye requested that this matter be held over until November. No Commissioner expressed opposition to this request.

A supermajority of the County Board is three-quarters (3/4), eight (8) out (10) members.

Centennial Farm Mapping Project
Mr. Asselmeier reported no update exists at this time. We are waiting for the leaves to fall from the trees.

Potential Meeting with other Historic Preservation Organizations
The save-the-date cards were mailed. The Commission has not received any additional RSVPs since last month.

Commissioners would like Rachel Leibowitz to speak about ten to fifteen (10-15) minutes on incentives for historic preservation and the activities of the State Historic Preservation Organization.

Commissioners requested that Mr. Asselmeier reach out to the Village of Plainfield to see if they would be available to do a ten to fifteen (10-15) minute presentation on their historic preservation efforts in downtown.

The rest of the event would be for roundtable discussion.

Ms. Flowers suggested that discussion could touch on encouraging people that own historic structures to have open houses for the public to see the benefits of historic preservation.

The consensus of the Commission was that coffee, cookies and water should be provided at the event. The exact amount of food and drinks will be determined by the number of RSVPs.

Selecting Homes for Plaques
Chairwoman Heiman and Mr. Asselmeier met with representatives of the Dickson-Murst Farm. The property is inside the Village of Montgomery so the County’s regulations do not apply.

Millbrook Bridge Update
No update on the Millbrook Bridge, waiting on word from the Corps of Engineers.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None

ADJOURNMENT
Ms. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Maye, to adjourn. With a voice vote of three ayes, the motion carried. The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew H. Asselmeier, AICP
Senior Planner