

Minutes
Meeting of Alton Historical Commission
Tuesday October 18, 2016
7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Bader, Mary Anderson, Monica Mason, Matt Asselmeier, Diane Plummer, and Charlene Walker

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jonas Janek

OTHERS PRESENT: Patty Krueger, 322 Prospect, Matt Bivens, Lafser and Debbie Beck, Secretary

The meeting of the Alton Historic Commission was called to order by Doug Bader at 7:00 pm on October 18, 2016.

Doug Bader requested that the sentence reference boarded up windows for the application request of 210 William be removed from the minutes for October 4, 2016. Diane Plummer moved to accept the minutes of October 4, 2016 as amended. Monica Mason seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATIONS:

The commission took up the application for **322 Prospect St.** Patty Krueger took the floor to explain that she would like to put vinyl siding, in the color of Autumn Red, over the wood siding. She stated that she would then paint the gables white to coordinate.

Mary Anderson moved to accept the application as presented. Diane Plummer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MIDDLETOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT INVENTORY REPORT:

Matt Bivens, of Lafser, then took the floor to explain his report. Bivens stated that he was working on a State of Illinois grant to re-survey Alton's Historical District, which had previously been done in 1977. He stated that he inventoried what buildings were still standing, what buildings had been demolished and what buildings could be added. He stated that he marked which buildings are contributing to the historical district and which ones were not contributing due to being new construction or severely altered. Bivens stated that he is composing an inventory sheet for every building in the historic district and he is approximately 50% complete. He estimates that these sheets should be completed by the end of year. Bivens stated that the State of Illinois only wanted a synopsis of his report. The report, which he is turning over to the City of Alton the entire report, is the same report that will be going to the National Register and filed with the Department of Interior and stored at the Library of Congress.

A question and answer session then took place. One of the possibilities that came of this session is the need to have a public meeting next year to educate residents about the positive aspects of having their building listed in the historic district.

Matt Asselmeier stated if the Historic Commissions adopts the report, it will then be forwarded to the City Council.

Matt Asselmeier moved to accept the inventory report. Mary Anderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF FORMS:

Doug Bader requested that forms from Building & Zoning that pertains to the Historical Commission be brought before the commission to make sure they are up-to-date. The three forms brought before the commission were the *APPLICATION FOR LANDMARK OR HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGNATION*, *BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION* and *APPLICATION FOR DEMOLITION PERMIT*. Bader stated that these forms were correct.

There being no further discussion or comments from the public, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie J. Beck
Secretary