

**VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
May 11, 2016**

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

A Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of the Village of Lake Bluff was called to order on May 11, 2016 at 7:03 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room.

The following members were present:

Present: Paul Bergmann
 Mary Francoeur
 Robert Hunter
 Randolph Liebelt
 Cheri Richardson
 Janet Nelson, Chair

Absent: Janie Jerch

Also Present: Brandon Stanick, Asst. to the Village Administrator (A to VA)

2. Consideration of the Minutes from the March 29, 2016 HPC Meeting

Member Bergmann moved to approve the March 29, 2016 HPC Meeting Minutes as presented. Member Francoeur seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

3. Non-Agenda Items and Visitors

Chair Nelson stated the Chairperson and Members of the HPC allocate fifteen (15) minutes at this time for those individuals who would like the opportunity to address the HPC on any matter within its area of responsibility that is not listed on the agenda.

There were no requests to address the HPC.

4. Consideration of a Significant Demolition Application for the Complete Demolition of 604 Ravine Avenue

Chair Nelson introduced the item and reviewed the decisions before the HPC: i) terminate the review; ii) take no action; or iii) extend the demolition review by 30 days.

A to VA Stanick advised the two large drawings provided to the HPC at the dais before the meeting are revised renderings provided by the Petitioner.

Chair Nelson reviewed the materials provided to the HPC and asked for comments from the applicant.

Mr. Jim Murray, property owner, stated they currently reside in the Village at an alternate address and had acquired 604 Ravine Avenue in the fall. The structure was built in the 1960's on a slab foundation with no basement and used dated construction materials. The house has numerous structural issues and the cost to repair is significant. Mr. Murray then responded to the HPC questionnaire.

A discussion ensued regarding the property.

Member Hunter moved to terminate the demolition review of 604 Ravine Avenue. Member Francoeur seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Bergmann, Francoeur, Hunter, Liebelt, Richardson and Chair Nelson
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Jerch

5. Consideration of a Significant Demolition Application for the Complete Demolition of 420 Evanston Avenue

Chair Nelson introduced the item and reviewed the decisions before the HPC: i) terminate the review; ii) take no action; or iii) extend the demolition review by 30 days.

Chair Nelson asked for comments from the applicant.

Mr. Jeff Webster project manager with (Aspect Design Incorporated Architects) and Mr. Jeff Ohm (Premier Realty Group) reviewed the materials provided in the packet, including elevation drawings, site plan, and floor plans of the new house.

Member Bergmann provided historic background information on the house.

Member Richardson moved to terminate the demolition review of 420 Evanston Avenue. Member Francoeur seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Bergmann, Francoeur, Hunter, Liebelt, Richardson and Chair Nelson
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Jerch

6. A Continued Discussion Regarding the History of Areas in Lake Bluff

Chair Nelson introduced the agenda item and a discussion ensued. It was the unanimous consensus of the HPC to continue its work on this project.

7. Chairperson's Report

Chair Nelson stated on April 25th the Village Board declared the Month of May as National Preservation Month.

8. Staff Report

A to VA Stanick stated next week the Joint Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals will consider an amendment to the Village's Comprehensive Plan regarding planning principles for Blocks Two and Three of the downtown.

A to VA Stanick confirmed the next HPC meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2016.

9. Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, Member Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Stanick
Asst. to the Village Administrator