

MOLINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes– January 11, 2021

Moline City Hall in the Committee of the Whole

The meeting was held virtual through Ring Central Meeting Web site per the disaster declaration issued by Governor Pritzker related to COVID 19 public health concerns affecting the State and City. The meeting started at 4 PM.

	Present	Absent
Jeff Dismer	X	
Frank Ege	X	
Craig Mack	X	
Dan Mizner	X	
Scott Perkins	X	
Dick Potter	X	
Barb Sandberg	X	
Chris Mathias - Staff	X	

Introduction of Guests – Jolene Keeney.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2020 – A motion by Commissioner Potter and seconded by Commissioner Sandberg to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business:

- **Code revision suggestions by HPC to review buildings over 50 years prior to issuing a demolition permit:** The motion for a code revision was tabled at the October 27, 2020 City Council meeting. The Commission will continue to work on the list, so the code revision can be resubmitted to the City Council. The ordinance as amended will sunset six months after the motion was tabled.
- **Application for Landmarking Prospect Park Pavilion:** The updated Landmark Application will be presented on January 19th to the City Council. Commissioner Potter will represent the Commission at the meeting to landmark the Prospect Park Pavilion.

- **Light poles outside of City Hall:** Commissioner Ege continues researching the light posts in front of City Hall. He has been working with Visco Lighting Company who provided him with a drawing showing three different light posts. The light pole with the square base similar to the existing light pole costs \$7,125 with 4 cast brass logos and the taller round base light pole cost \$6,300.00 with 1 cast brass logo. They also showed a low bollard for the alley side of the building at a cost of \$1,030 with no logos. These prices are per pole and does not include shipping and installation. The Moline City logo is presently located on 4 sides of the base of the original light posts. The logo can be digitized and reproduced and used on the proposed light posts. The Commission agreed that only one logo needed to be on the street side of the pole base. The cost for the cast brass Moline City logo is \$200 a piece. Chris Mathis will check where the digital copy of the old City logo can be stored in City Hall. A report will be made with the drawings, costs and contact information and given to the City for further investigation. Commissioner Ege mentioned if the City wants to salvage the existing pole, that Rock Island County Historical Society would like to have it.

Old Business:

- **List of Moline's historically and architecturally significant buildings inventory:** Commissioner should continue working on the list of 50 year old plus building in Moline. Chris will find out if the buildings in the Historic District in Moline can be counted as one entity. He will also verify that the City Council only wants to have 50 structures on this list. The existing list need to be kept updated with the current address and not just by names
- **Inventory of salvaged architectural materials.** - Items still being stored. Jolene mentioned that she has 2 pieces of the wrought iron railing from the John Deere House which she would like to have stored with the other salvaged material.

Reports:

- **Proposed Riverfront redevelopment:** Nothing to Report.
- **Main Street and Facade Improvement Program:** No new applicants. Julie Artist Rose Building has been sold and the developer wants to build apartments and do a facade improvement, but no application has been file yet.
- **Downtown Heritage Tour** - The City has posted this on the web site and Geoff Manis say it has had positive feed back.
- **Mural and Public Art:** - No report.
- **Quad Cities Preservation Consortium:** The group met and Natalie Linville-Mass, of Media Link, Inc and Passports is working with Metro Link on the history of the Moline River front. She is asking for any pictures or history of some of the riverfront factories. This information is to be used on the Channel Cat. She is currently working with Neil Dahlstrom of the Deere & Company Archives.
- **Spiegel Building Redevelopment:** Commissioner Dismar stated that his firm is currently working with Renew Moline on different design solutions for the redevelopment of the building and site.
- **Carnegie Library** No report.
- **Old Post Office on River Drive:** No report.

- **Leedy Building Fire** - No report, but work is being done on the building.
- **The Rock Island Courthouse** - Joe Lemmon who was the developer of the Abby and the Rock Island Train Station wants to get the Illinois courts that are presently in Iowa back to Illinois and into the old Courthouse. He has a proposal on repurposing this structure for future use.
- **John Deere House** - Chris Baker, the owner of the John Deere house, is trying to get heat and water connected to a bathroom, but the contractor has not been responsive.
- **Redevelopment of the Collector Center site** - Talking with Heart of America about this site.
- **Redevelopment of Ray's Appliance site** - No report.
- **McKinley School and the Manual Arts Building** - No Report
- **Ball Residence 1235 11th Avenue, Moline** - Jolene reported that BobbyJo Irish daughter of Joe and Jean Rosborough one of the Ball family original owners are looking at the house. No offers have been made, but Jolene said their discussions have been very educational and interesting.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

Next Meeting: Monday February 8, 2021 at 4 PM

Respectively Submitted
Craig S Mack

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