

# MOLINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes– April 11, 2022 at 4 PM

Moline City Hall in the Committee of the Whole

	Present	Absent
Jeff Dismer	X	
Frank Ege	X	
Craig Mack	X	
Dan Mizner	X	
Dick Potter	X	
Barb Sandberg	X	
Brandon Tidwell	X	
Sean Foley - Staff	X	

**Introduction of Guests** – Jan Stoffer, Bob Vitas, Felix Vallejo, and Ursula Minter

**Approval of Meeting Minutes** – March 21, 2022 – Commissioner Mizner had two spelling corrections to the minutes. The minutes were revised and a motion by Commissioner Mizner and seconded by Commissioner Sandberg to approve the corrected minutes. The corrected minutes were approved unanimously. The revised minutes will be sent to the City Clerk.

## **New Business:**

- **Nomination and election of officers for 2022-2023:** The following nominations were made:
  - Commissioner Dan Mizner - Chairman
  - Commissioner Dick Potter - Vice Chairman
  - Commissioner Brandon Tidwell - SecretaryA motion by Commissioner Mack and second by Commissioner Sandberg to approved and elect this slate of officers. The new officers were approved unanimously. The new officers will start their positions at May 9, 2022 meeting.
- **Code revision suggestions by HPC to review buildings over 50 years prior to issuing a demolition permit:** Commissioner Potter will introduce the new ordinance proposal at the April 26 meeting of the City Council.
- **Certified Local Government Grant:** - In November, the Commission wants to apply for a certified local government grant to hire an outside firm to do a comprehensive historic resources survey of Moline historic properties. The grant is a 70/30 participation match. An

RFP needs to be prepared by staff to hire a consultant to work with the Commission on gathering budgetary figures for this project. Once these costs and the scope of the project area is decided upon, a presentation will be made to the City Council, so budget money can be put in the 2023 budget. The commission discuss the possibility of dividing the city in 4 quarters with the Avenue of the Cities be the north and south dividing line and 19th Street be the east and west dividing line. Staff will work with GIS to see how many structures are in each of these quarters. The consultant will only be hired if the grant is successfully awarded to the City.

- **Moline Historic plaques** - The commission will order and purchase one landmark plaques for historic buildings. When City Council works on the 2023 budget, the Commission will asked for funds so additional plaques can be purchased. Near the end of the meeting, Bob Vitas joined the meeting and told to commission to go ahead and order a half dozen landmark plaques. Commissioner Ege will work with staff on the order.
- **Caxton Block Building** - No report.
- **Heritage Church site (sand bagging plaque)** - The plaque has been removed and is being stored in the garage of Commissioner Ege. It was suggested that the plaque should be stored in the municipal service garage.
- **Possible landmarking of the Skelly Station on 820 5th Ave** - Felix Valliejo and Ursula Minitier presented the landmark application for the Skelly Gas station located at 820 5th Avenue. The 1932 tudor revival building is one few remaining gas stations in the United States. The property is still zone residential. A suggestion from Commissioner Tidwell was to convert the interior function to vacation rental, due to the uniqueness of the building. A motion by Commissioner Sandberg and seconded by Commissioner Potter to approve landmarking of this structure. The vote was approved unanimously. Staff was asked to start the proceeding to have a public hearing at our next regular meeting to landmark the building.
- **Sale of Gordon Memorial Church 1330 26th St. Moline** - The house next to the church is currently up for sale.
- **LeClaire Hotel door replacement** - The City has not received any paper work from the owner for this request. Staff should contact the owner, and remind them if they do anything to the door they will need a Certificate of Appropriateness. If the LeClaire management wants to make any changes, they should come to the next meeting stating their future plans.

## Old Business:

- **List of Moline's historically and architecturally significant buildings inventory:** No report.
- **Inventory of salvaged architectural materials.** - No report.

## Reports:

- **Public Art Commission** - Next meeting is Monday, April 18, 2022. At their last meeting they talked about painting the electrical boxes. The power company was not interested in painting the boxes but would consider installing a vinyl wrap.

- **Proposed Riverfront Redevelopment** - No Report. Remove this item from the agenda.
- **David B. Sears recognition** - Commissioner Ege is working on a presentation for 150 anniversary celebration for the City of Moline.
- **Formed Base Code** - Commissioner Dismer has been asked to be a member of the Advisory Committee for the Moline Centre Form-Based Code. He will be working for the next year with Codametrics on the development of the new code. Sean will send the schedule and the information presented at the March 9th meeting for the Commissioners review.
- **Moline Facade Improvement** - Next meeting is this Thursday at 3 PM.
- **Proposed Riverfront redevelopment:** No report.
- **Downtown Heritage Tour** - Commissioner Sandberg requested that more promotional material be provided for this tour in preparation of the celebration in August of the 150 anniversary of Moline.
- **Quad Cities Preservation Consortium:** The group continues to work with realtors on the importance of historic properties.
- **Spiegel Building Redevelopment:** Talks continue redevelopment of the structure.
- **Carnegie Library:** No report
- **Old Post Office on River Drive:** No report.
- **Leedy Building Fire** - No report.
- **Rock Island Court House** - Commissioner Tidwell proposed, if a stone was needed for the Sand Bagging plaque, maybe when the court house is razed, a stone from the structure could be salvaged.
- **John Deere House** - No report
- **Redevelopment of the Collector Center site** - No report.
- **Redevelopment of Ray's Appliance site** - No report.
- **McKinley School and the Manual Arts Building** - These building are currently going through the court system. No further report.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM

**Next Meeting:** Monday May 9, 2022 at 4 PM

Respectively Submitted  
Craig S Mack

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