

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
**City of Moline**

**Minutes: January 11, 2010**  
**Committee-of-the-Whole: 4:00 p.m.**

Present Committee Members:           Commissioner Tom Bracke  
  Commissioner Craig Mack  
  Commissioner Curtis Roseman  
  Commissioner Barb Sandberg (telephone)  
  Commissioner Jim Scott

Absent Committee Member:           Commissioner Dan Mizner  
  Commissioner Scott Perkins

City Staff:                               Pat Burke

Guests:                                 Dawn Neuses  
  Vicki Mathis  
  Lambert Mathis  
  Diane Moore

**Public Hearing of Landmarking 1925 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue:**

Commissioner Scott called the public hearing to order at 4:00 pm to consider the nomination of 1925 Sixth Avenue as a locally designated landmark. A notice of the public hearing was published in the Moline Dispatch on December 23. The property owners as well as the adjoining properties were notified by certified mail of this hearing date.

Diane Moore representing the Preservation Society, recommended approval of the Josephson Home (present owners Vicki and Lambert Matthis) to be landmarked. There were no other public or commission comments. Commissioner Roseman moved to approve the landmarking of 1925 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and have the application submitted to the City Council for final approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mack and the commission approved the motion. The application will go to the Committee of the Whole on January 26, 2010 and final approval from the City Council on February 2, 2010. Commissioner Sandberg suggested that the plaque be presented to the Matthis' at the 9 February 2010 Council meeting.

Commissioner Scott adjourned the hearing at 4:15 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Commissioner Sandberg made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 14, 2009 meeting. The following changes were made: change the correct spelling of Pete McDermott's name. Commissioner Mack seconded the motion and the commission approved the minutes with the change.

## **Old Business:**

**Depot:** The Commission continues to work on finding a new site for the depot. The Dispatch will be publishing an article on the Depot describing the current status of the project.

**Carnegie Library:** None

**Washington Sq. Apts.:** There are two developers that are interested in this facility and would like to develop the property as owner occupied.

**McDermott Alley Inn Building:** Pete McDermott is concerned about a truck hitting the oriel on his building. Mike Mc Neil did some sketches of the oriel and suggested installing bollards at the entrance, so trucks would not come close to the structure.

## **Reports:**

**John Deere House:** A sheriff's sale was held at 9 AM on January 5, 2010 on the John Deere House, the Granddaughters house and an adjoining piece of property. The granddaughter's house was sold to Julie Albers for \$46,000 and the John Deere House was bought by the Sauk Valley Bank of Sterling for \$167,000. There were no bids on the strip of property. The Commission is still not sure what the exact location of this strip of land. Since the granddaughter's house was sold to a separate buyer, there is a concern about access to the John Deere House. Commissioner Sandberg submitted an application in December to Illinois Landmarks requesting consideration of the John Deere House for listing in their 2010 "Ten Most Endangered" listing.

**Harvesting ordinance for Moline:** Commissioner Roseman showed the Commission the document produced by the City "Salvage Reuse and Recycling". The document does not state anything about salvaging construction material, but it does refer to the Habitat Store in Davenport. Commissioner Roseman also distributed a list of permits issued by the City of Moline Building Division. Most permits were for tearing down garages and residential additions.

**Main Street:** A joint meeting with Aledo and Moline Main Street organizations will be held at Stoney Creek on Thursday January 21.

**Other: Skinner Block** The Millers will be closing on this property at the end of January. There will be six residential units on third floor and eight residential units on second floor.

## **New Business:**

**Identify potential buildings for Landmarking:** The commission still wants to attract more structures for Landmark status. Commission members should provide addresses of potential sites. Pat Burke updated the brochure "Consideration for Landmark Designation. Please review this document and it will be discussed at our next meeting. Diane Moore suggested that the Commission use the City Survey of Historical Structures

and work with the Rock Island Historical Society on additional information on these facilities.

**Other:** Commissioner Roseman passed out brochures on the Henry Farnam Dinner. It will be held on March 12, 2010 at the i wireless Center.

**Announcement:** The Ball House is up for sale for \$299,000.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8, 2010, at 4:00 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Craig S. Mack

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