



MINUTES

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BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR MEETING
GOVERNMENT CENTER CHAMBERS, 4TH FLOOR, ROOM #400
115 E. WASHINGTON STREET, BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701
THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021 5:00 P.M.**

The Historic Preservation Commission convened in regular session in-person in the Government Center Chambers on the 4th floor, Room #404 (relocated from Room #400 due to scheduling conflict) at 5:21 p.m., Thursday, July 15, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Scharnett.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Mr. Paul Scharnett	Chair	Present
Mr. Bobby Castillo	Commissioner	Present
Ms. Georgene Chissell	Commissioner	Absent
Ms. Sherry Graehling	Commissioner	Present
Mr. Greg Koos	Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Dawn Peters	Commissioner	Present
Mr. George Boyle	Assistant Corporate Counsel	Present
Ms. Kimberly Smith	Economic & Community Development Assistant Director	Present
Ms. Caitlin Kelly	Assistant City Planner	Present

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

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The Commission reviewed the minutes of the June 17, 2021 regular Historic Preservation Meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded. All were in favor.

REGULAR AGENDA

MEETING MINUTES

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- A. **BHP-14-21** Consideration, review and action on a petition submitted by Kyle Glandon for a Rust Grant in the amount of \$25,000 for window and door replacement to storefront façade, for the property located at 236 E Front St (PIN: 21-04-409-012), National Register Central Business District, Williams Horse Hospital, c. 1883 (C) (Ward 6). **Tabled from 05/20/21 & 6/17/21 - WITHDRAWN**

The item was withdrawn.

- B. **BHP-21-21** Consideration, review and action on a petition submitted by Kyle & Rachael Kapper for a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior painting, for the property located at 210 E Chestnut St (PIN: 21-04-205-012), Franklin Square Historic District, Federal style with Queen Anne elements, Luman Burr House, c. 1864, architect Hays and Evans Contracting Company (Ward 4).

Ms. Kelly introduced the case. She reiterated that powerwashing would not be used and that the proposed primer would be oil-based.

Kyle and Rachael Kapper, the petitioners, were sworn in. They explained that the existing paint is in poor condition and that parts of the exterior are now several different colors.

Ms. Graehling inquired about the shutters.

Mr. Koos corrected the staff report as to the style of the house and gave further context on the structure. He clarified that Arthur Pillsbury is not related to the Queen Anne elements on the home and mentioned that newspaper clippings regarding the home would be forwarded to the Commission.

Chairperson Scharnett asked about the treatment of the ridge cap, noting that a zinc- or epoxy-based primer could be used to extend its longevity.

Mr. Koos motioned to accept the findings of fact as presented by staff and approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Ms. Graehling seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Castillo - Yes, Mr. Koos - Yes, Ms. Graehling - Yes, Ms. Peters - Yes, Chairperson Scharnett - Yes. The motion carried (5-0-0).

- C. **BHP-22-21** Consideration, review and action on a petition submitted by Kyle & Rachael Kapper for a Funk Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 for exterior painting, for the property located at 210 E Chestnut St (PIN: 21-04-205-012), Franklin Square Historic District, Federal style with Queen Anne elements, Luman Burr House, c. 1864, architect Hays and Evans Contracting Company (Ward 4).

Ms. Kelly introduced the case and staff's positive recommendation of the request. The petitioners provided additional information.

Mr. Koos asked whether historic plantings were present on the property, and whether they would be protected. Ms. Kapper did not know whether the plantings are historic but affirmed that the landscaping would remain in place.

Chairperson Scharnett confirmed that powerwashing would not occur. The petitioners confirmed that the vines would be removed by hand.

Ms. Graehling motioned to accept the findings of fact as presented by staff and award the Funk Grant in the amount requested. Mr. Castillo seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Castillo - Yes, Mr. Koos - Yes, Ms. Graehling - Yes, Ms. Peters - Yes, Chairperson Scharnett - Yes. The motion carried (5-0-0).

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Graehling reported that, as of June 22, the 2020 Heritage Award Winners had been posted to the city website.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Historic Preservation Plan Draft

Ms. Kelly introduced updates to the plan. Ms. Smith provided the timeline as to when the draft plan would be presented to the Steering Committee and to the Commission.

In relation to a Preservation Plan theme that was shared, Chairperson Scharnett noted that postwar construction practices are less durable.

In relation to proposed surveys of potentially historic neighborhoods, Mr. Koos questioned the criteria the proposal was based on. He suggested more intensive-level surveys be performed in west Bloomington neighborhoods. The Commissioners discussed historic work that could be done in or further expanded to west Bloomington.

Chairperson Scharnett noted the lack of knowledge transfer regarding historic work in trades.

B. Other

Ms. Kelly's resignation was announced.

Mr. Koos expressed support for using a smaller room in which to hold Commission meetings. Chairperson Scharnett assented.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Peters motioned to adjourn. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.