

Village of Historic Preservation Commission

Monday, January 3, 2022

7:00 p.m. Village Hall 874 Main Street Antioch, IL 60002

1. CALL TO ORDER

Historic Preservation Commission Chairperson, Ainsley Wonderling called the January 3, 2022 regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Cornes <u>X</u>	Cole <u>X</u>	Nawrocki <u>X</u>
Stevens <u> </u>	Wonderling <u>X</u>	Board Liason <u> </u>
Community Development Director <u>X</u>	Commission Secretary <u>X</u>	

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Historic Preservation Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Garrigan moved, seconded by Chairperson Wonderling to approve the Amended December 6, 2021 meeting minutes.

YES: 4

No:

Absent: 1

- 5. REVIEW URBAN SURVEY FORMS (continued from last meeting)** – Director Garrigan Found the original Granike Survey Forms. It appears that they only surveyed properties that were significant or architecturally contributing. There is no electronic version of the survey, however, director Garrigan said that he would have it scanned in, so HPC members could review what we have. Also, the Report does not include Historical information on the properties. Question was brought up, to we continue doing Surveys of Architectural properties that are NOT significant or contributing? It was agreed that we should at least photograph them and catalog them with a photo for future reference. By the February meeting Director Garrigan said that he should have Spafford and Harden streets done. Director Garrigan said that there is no real need to research history of properties from 1970 – current, unless there is something significant. (Famous resident) It was agreed that the commission should focus on Bishop, Ida, Chestnut, Victoria, Spafford, Harden and South Main Street. Director Garrigan said that he has been working with the Village's IT department, and Communications Director to build a Historic Preservation Page on the Village's website so the public can see ordinances, Guidelines, and Survey forms. It will eventually be a place where people can go to request Landmark Status for their property.
- 6. REVIEW ANTIOCH'S HISTORIC PRESERVATION GUIDELINES** – Director Garrigan wanted to re-affirm that the preservation guidelines would only pertain to properties that have Landmark Status, or if they are in a Historic District. Director Garrigan then stated that for restoration

purposes, people should use original materials, while also meeting current building codes. If that is not a possibility, then there would possibly be some flexibility. The Granike survey form is very specific. When asked if members should go into specifics on porches, or railings, director Garrigan said If the property is rated historically significant, then yes.

Porches should be wood but could have cement board if approved by the HPC.

Roof Elements can sometimes be confusing as what was original. Historical pictures would be very helpful. Modern roof materials may be used, but color, and type of shingle, may look original. Skylights – Would need to be looked at on a case by case basis. Solar Panels – How do we deal with that? Doors – Security doors, storm doors, screen doors – Can they look historically significant? Does the door coincide with the architectural style of the home? Windows – Can be tricky. Storm windows, and screens? Is there a way to keep them looking historically correct? Shutters – If not functional, should they be there? The answer is no. If they cannot close, they are not functional.

Stop at page 33. We will start with Windows next time.

7. **DISCUSS “DOWNTOWN APPEARANCE HISTORIC STANDARDS” Form Based Code** – Currently, the Village of Antioch does not have Downtown Historic Standards as part of it’s Form Based Code. This means that if a Building owner in the downtown, wanted to paint their building purple, with stripes, Village Staff cannot stop them, as long as the building meets building code. This amendment to the Form Based Code would give the Village Board, the opportunity to review, and deny any façade changes that are not historically correct. The Amendment goes through what is acceptable, and what could / should be done to each building on Main street to keep the appearance of a historic downtown. The Historic Preservation Commission all agreed that is very important and told Director Garrigan that they would support him taking the amendment to the Village Board within the next few months.
8. **DISCUSS OPEN MEETINGS ACT** – Director Garrigan explained that members should not reply all to emails sent by him because that violates the Open Meetings Act. They can reply directly to him, and he can share the information, but they should not be communicating as a group outside of their meetings.

Next Meeting February 7, 2022

There being no further discussion, Director Garrigan, moved, seconded by Member Cole, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Chairman Ainsley Wonderling

Rachel Alcozer, Secretary