

The Hammond Historic Preservation Commission held a meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, in person and via [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us).

The meeting began at 5:31 p.m.

PRESENT

Amanda Aguilera (IP)
Kevin Clutter (IP)
Laurie Czulno (IP)
Janet Evans (IP)
Christopher Jones (IP)
Anne Taylor (IP)
Patrick Swibes (IP)

ABSENT

Debbie McGough

ALSO PRESENT

Brian L. Poland, AICP
Director of City Planning

Tom Novak
Assistant City Planner

Shannon Morris-Smith
Secretary

Ray Escamilla
I.T., Zoom

PRESENT- 7

ABSENT- 1

QUORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Swibes called for approval of the minutes for the April 9, 2024 meeting. Ms. Czulno so moved, seconded by Mr. Clutter. Roll call vote. Amanda Aguilera/yes, Kevin Clutter/yes, Laurie Czulno/yes, Janet Evans/yes, Christopher Jones/yes, Anne Taylor/yes, Patrick Swibes/yes. 7 “Ayes”, 0 “Nays”, 1 “Absent”, 0 “Abstentions”. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

OLD BUSINESS

Project Updates

Educational Assistance and Communications Committee

On-line display – Ms. Czulno stated the physical display was up. The first portion of the online presentation was up. The first portion was State Line Marker. The committee anticipated to have the other two pieces of the online presentation completed in a couple of weeks.

Mr. Poland asked if the proclamation had been received. Ms. Czulno stated the proclamation was on the display.

2024 Project/Little Red Schoolhouse – Mr. Novak stated there were no new updates. There was a discussion on how to connect with the representatives from the Little Red Schoolhouse. Ms. Aguilera stated she would reach out via Facebook.

Hammond...Our Home, Our Community - Mr. Poland asked Mr. Escamilla if the DVD Hammond...Our Home, Our Community could be placed onto the website. Mr. Escamilla stated

“Yes”. Someone would need to get the DVD to him. Mr. Poland asked Mr. Novak to work with Mr. Escamilla to get the task completed.

Special Projects Committee – Mr. Novak stated he met an individual that was able to create map overlays, and offered to assist Hammond with the bike trail project. Google Maps would be used to create map overlays and not the GIS. Mr. Novak offered to put the Commissioners in touch with the individual if the Commissioners wanted to proceed.

There was a discussion with Mr. Escamilla on the foundation of the proposed project. There was a consensus to move forward. The project was assigned to the Special Projects committee. Ms. Taylor offered to remove herself from the committee. Mr. Swibes offered to join the committee for this project. Ms. Czulno would forward the information that the Education committee started on the bike trail to the Special Projects committee.

Designation Committee – Mr. Poland commented that the Priority List has not been adopted. Mr. Poland asked if anyone has gone out to review the Lustron Homes. Ms. Taylor stated the Lustron Homes were reviewed two (2) years ago when the project started. There was a discussion on the Lustron Homes. Mr. Poland asked for a committee member to go out and view the Lustron Homes and make a report for the next meeting.

There was a discussion on the status of the Archway Building. The committee would set up a meeting to begin work on the Archway Building and the Priority List.

Design Review Committee

229 Ogden Street – Mr. Novak stated staff was waiting on structural information on how the deck would be completed. Photos were included in the packet to show the location of the proposed deck and size.

The siding work would be done by a contractor. The homeowner was interested in removing the carport and construct a garage. The original garage was the Coach House.

Mr. Swibes asked if the siding would be replaced in kind. Mr. Poland stated the siding was not original and would be replaced with a Hardie board type siding.

Annual Projects – Mr. Poland requested the Commissioners to think about additional projects for the remainder of the year.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

There were none.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Poland stated the City was pursuing the demolition of 28-34 Ruth Street. The building has been identified as a contributing building to the Harrison Park Historic District. Harrison Park was eligible for the National Register District. Mr. Poland further stated various society organizations have been contacted for comments. There have been comments received by Indiana Landmarks and the Hammond Historical Society. The Section 106 Review process would be forthcoming.

Mr. Poland stated the next meeting would be on June 4, 2024.

LIAISON COMMENTS

There was none.


PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Czulno motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. McGough. The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

APPROVED: 6-4-24


Patrick Swibes, Chairperson

ATTEST:


Shannon Morris-Smith, Secretary