



**City of La Porte Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 5:30 PM**

**City Hall, Council Chambers, 801 Michigan Avenue**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Historic Preservation Commission ("Commission") was held at City Hall Council Chambers, 801 Michigan Avenue, La Porte, IN, 46350 on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 5:30 P.M. ("Local Time"), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Commission and the Indiana Open Door Law.

This meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by Dr. Anna Weissman, President.

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

On call of the roll, the members of the Commission were shown to be present or absent as follows:

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Anna Weissman, Ms. Barbara Krieg, Ms. Cassie Holmquest, and Mr. Bruce Johnson, Ms. Kelsey Gushrowski, and Ms. Fonda Owens.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ms. Jo Happel.
- GUESTS PRESENT:** Mr. David Heinold and City Councilwoman Laura Konieczny.
- MINUTES:** Bruce Johnson made a motion to **approve the October 25, 2022 regular meeting minutes** and the motion was seconded by Fonda Owens. The motion passed (6-0).
- CLAIMS:** None.
- HEARING OF VISITORS:** Mark Kurth, President of Preserve Historic La Porte, mentioned that he delivered a letter to the City about their plans for the next year. He mentioned that they are in the unique position as an organization separate from the City HPC board to look at engaging in potential building rehab projects for properties listed in the Interim Report as Outstanding or Notable.
- COA(s):** David explained that a Certificate of Appropriateness application was received from Vince Sartini, owner of 1201 Indiana Avenue, to install a black metal fence along the alley property line just south of Alexander Street. The COA application for the fence install was administratively approved by City Planning staff.
- DEMOLITION REPORT:** None.
- LETTERS OF SUPPORT:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Kelsey reported that the HPC has \$1,791 remaining in the tax-based account to spend in 2022.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. February Realtors Luncheon (update) – Kelsey will reach out to Jo for coordination on an update to this item for the next meeting.
- B. Customized Mugs for Designated Homes (present estimates) – No report, Jo absent.

**SUBCOMMITTEES PROGRESS REPORTS**

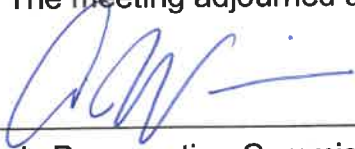
- A. Coloring Book Order – Bruce reported that it was approved at the last meeting to print 650 coloring books. He explained that the cost per book is \$2.45 for a total cost of \$1,592 to Hawkins Print Shop. He mentioned that Hawkins already printed 150 coloring books. Kelsey Gushrowski made a motion to approve payment to Hawkins Print Shop in the amount of \$1,592.50 and the motion was seconded by Cassie Holmquest. The motion passed (6-0).
- B. Events Subcommittee – Cassie reported that the events subcommittee is looking at the possibility of hosting a spring gathering at the Scott-Rumely House. Anna mentioned that the board could possible host a workshop at 211 Rose Street in February or March.
- C. Designated Homes Compliance – Fonda mentioned that they are looking into what other commission's are doing. There was a question about whether people know about all of the historic district information. There was discussion about learning best practices from other commissions in the area.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was discussion about how to spend the remaining funds in the tax-based account. Barbara Krieg made a motion to purchase as many stamps as the tax-based appropriation account allow and the motion was seconded by Kelsey Gushrowski. The motion passed (6-0).

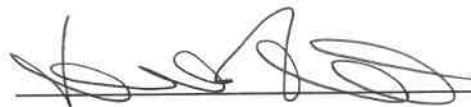
**OTHER BUSINESS:** There was discussion about cancelling the mugs and t-shirt order. Fonda asked a question about the process for COA Administrative Approvals. David explained that the City Planning staff usually lists the COA Administrative Approvals on the agenda for reporting to the HPC board as a courtesy for the applications that don't require board approval.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

There being no further business, Ms. Kelsey Gushrowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Fonda Owens. The motion passed unanimously (6-0). The meeting adjourned at 6:11 PM.



Historic Preservation Commission President



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