

Village of Lombard

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Minutes

Lombard Historical Commission

Rita Schneider, President
Tom Fetters, Eileen Mueller, Brigitte O'Brien,
Richard Anstee, John Egan, Lyn Myers,
Pat Poskocil, Jack Jones, Marcy Novak and
Tami Urish
Leslie Sulla - Ex-Officio Member
Village Liaison - Jennifer Henaghan

Monday, February 13, 2012

7:30 PM

Village Hall - Community Room

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Rita Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 Roll Call

Present 9 - Rita Schneider, Jack Jones, John Egan, Brigitte O'Brien, Tami Urish, Tom Fetters, Lyn Myers, Eileen Mueller, and Richard Anstee

Absent 3 - Patricia Poskocil, Marcy Novak, and Leslie Sulla

Also present: Jennifer Henaghan, AICP, Senior Planner.

3.0 Public Hearings

President Schneider began by reviewing the purpose of the public hearings.

The purpose of these public hearings are to consider the designation of certain properties within the Village of Lombard as "Local Landmark" sites. This designation is one which, if approved, will be recorded with the Recorder's Office of DuPage County.

Each property will be reviewed separately. The public attending may comment on any of the properties proposed for designation.

Each property owner has received notice of this Public Hearing according to the rules stated in the Village Ordinance, Sec 32.075-79. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, the Commission will discuss,

and by motion, will request the staff and Local Landmarks Committee Chair to draft a written recommendation to be approved by the Commission at a special meeting on Feb 23, 2012.

This written recommendation will then be sent to the Corporate Authorities for their approval at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 16, 2012.

110443 241 W. Maple Street (Chatfield Residence)

Discussion and approval of staff's written recommendation to the Village Board regarding the designation of 241 W. Maple Street as a landmark site. (DISTRICT #1)

Jennifer Henaghan reviewed the Village of Lombard Landmark Report with the Commissioners. It is Village staff's opinion that the designation of the property as a landmark site is appropriate based on the architecture, the building's association with Alonzo Chatfield and Josiah Lombard as well as the recent completion of an addition to the home that preserves the architectural style of the building.

Property owner Sara Burch was available to answer questions. The entire house will be painted white with dark shutters, most likely black.

A motion was made by Tom Fetters, seconded by Richard Anstee, that based on the submitted petition and the testimony presented, the Historical Commission finds that the single-family residence at 241 W. Maple Street complies with the criteria established for designation as a landmark site and move that the Historical Commission recommend to the Corporate Authorities that the single-family residence at 241 W. Maple Street be designated as a landmark site, subject to the following three conditions:

- 1. The historical site designation is limited to the existing residence, as built circa 1868, and is further limited to the building's current location on the property at 241 W. Maple Street.
- 2. The residence shall be maintained in good condition.
- 3. If the residence is damaged or destroyed, to the extent of more than fifty percent (50%) of the value of the site immediately prior to such damage, then the building's historical designation shall be considered null and void.

The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

120021 305 E. Morningside (Lustron home)

Discussion and approval of staff's written recommendation to the Village Board regarding the designation of 305 E. Morningside as a landmark site. (DISTRICT #5)

Jennifer Henaghan reviewed the Village of Lombard Landmark Report with the Commissioners. It is Village staff's opinion that the

designation of the property as a landmark site is appropriate based on the architectural significance of the home.

Petitioner Lani Stephens, mother of property owner Jamie Stephens, commented that the location of the house on a corner lot allows a clear view of the house on three sides, making it an excellent choice for people to see what a lustron home looks like.

A motion was made by Tom Fetters, seconded by Village Clerk Brigitte O'Brien, that based on the submitted petition and the testimony presented, the Historical Commission finds that the single-family residence at 305 E. Morningside complies with the criteria established for designation as a landmark site and move that the Historical Commission recommend to the Corporate Authorities that the single-family residence at 305 E. Morningside be designated as a landmark site, subject to the following three conditions:

- 1. The historical site designation is limited to the existing residence, as built circa 1950, and is further limited to the building's current location on the property at 305 E. Morningside.
- 2. The residence shall be maintained in good condition.
- 3. If the residence is damaged or destroyed, to the extent of more than fifty percent (50%) of the value of the site immediately prior to such damage, then the building's historical designation shall be considered null and void.

The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

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215 S. Stewart (Leffingwell-Gray Residence)

Discussion and approval of staff's written recommendation to the Village Board regarding the designation of 215 S. Stewart as a landmark site (DISTRICT #5)

Jennifer Henaghan reviewed the Village of Lombard Landmark Report with the Commissioners. It is Village staff's opinion that the designation of the property as a landmark site is appropriate based on its association with both Harold Gray and Ed Leffingwell, two nationally known cartoonists who contributed to the Village's cultural heritage.

Property owner Brian Anderson brought copies of several drawings by Harold Gray that highlighted features of the home from the exterior and the interior.

A motion was made by John Egan, seconded by Eileen Mueller, that based on the submitted petition and the testimony presented, the Historical Commission finds that the single-family residence at 215 S. Stewart Avenue complies with the criteria established for designation as a landmark site and move that the Historical Commission recommend to the Corporate Authorities that the single-family residence at 215 S. Stewart Avenue be designated as a landmark site, subject to the following three conditions:

- 1. The historical site designation is limited to the existing residence, as built circa 1907, and is further limited to the building's current location on the property at 215 S. Stewart Avenue.
- 2. The residence shall be maintained in good condition.
- 3. If the residence is damaged or destroyed, to the extent of more than fifty percent (50%) of the value of the site immediately prior to such damage, then the building's historical designation shall be considered null and void.

The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

110595

460 S. Main Street (Lombard Cemetery)

Discussion and approval of staff's written recommendation to the Village Board regarding the designation of 460 S. Main Street as a landmark site (DISTRICT #6)

Jennifer Henaghan reviewed the Village of Lombard Landmark Report with the Commissioners. It is Village staff's opinion that the designation of the property as a landmark site is appropriate.

Commissioner Fetters noted that the cemetery had fallen into poor condition, but the Cemetery Committee has made many improvements to its appearance.

A motion was made by Tom Fetters, seconded by Richard Anstee, that based on the submitted petition and the testimony presented, the Historical Commission finds that the property at 460 S. Main Street complies with the criteria established for designation as a landmark site and move that the Historical Commission recommend to the Corporate Authorities that the cemetery at 460 S. Main Street be designated as a landmark site.

4.0 Business Meeting

5.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Richard Anstee, seconded by Tom Fetters, to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting subject to the following correction:

Page 3, Section 6.0 Old Business, A. Finance, second paragraph, change the first sentence to read:

"The Commission and Society Board members met with the Village on December 3 to work on the new budget."

The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

6.0 Public Participation

Public participation was allowed as each property under consideration for landmark designation was discussed. There was no other public participation.

7.0 Planner's Report

Ms. Henaghan is working closely with the Local Landmarks Committee in researching historic districts.

8.0 New Business

<u>120049</u> Intergovernmental Agreement - Carriage House

Recommendation to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Lombard Historical Commission, the Lombard Historical Society and the Village of Lombard relative to the construction of an addition to the Carriage House located at 23 W. Maple. (DISTRICT #1)

A brief discussion took place regarding the current draft of the intergovernmental agreement. The proposed agreement allows the Historical Society to use the \$70,000 grant before it expires at the end of this year. The agreement also requires that the Society repay money that is forwarded by the Village in order to begin construction of the carriage house addition. The Commissioners commended Village personnel and the Commission President for all of their efforts to pull the agreement together.

A motion was made by Tami Urish, seconded by Lyn Myers, to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement and recommend it to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

The Agreement will be signed by Commission President Rita Schneider and Commission Secretary Lyn Myers and will be notarized.

9.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Village Clerk Brigitte O'Brien, seconded by Eileen Mueller, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Thursday, February 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall to review the results of the Local Landmarks hearings.

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