

EAST AURORA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Village Hall
571 Main Street, East Aurora
Basement Conference Room ("Red" Room)

Present: Mark Warren, Chair
Saxon Deck
Patrick Mahoney
John Newton
Christine Peters
Linda Zaff

Absent: Daniel Roelofs
Kitty Turgeon

Also Present: Allan Kasprzak, Mayor
Patrick Shea, Village Board Liaison
Libby Weberg, Village Board
Members of the Public

Mr. Warren called the meeting to order and noted that there was a quorum present. Minutes of the June 8, 2011 meeting were reviewed and, upon the motion of Mr. Mahoney, seconded by Ms. Peters, it was unanimously

RESOLVED that the minutes of the June 8, 2011 meeting are APPROVED.

APPLICATIONS

- None

OTHER BUSINESS

- Roycroft Inn – Roycroft Stone Wall

The Roycroft Inn recently applied a thick layer of concrete atop the Roycroft Stone Wall in front of the Inn, on the east side of South Grove Street. The Commission noted that, under the Village Code, this work should not have been done unless a certificate of appropriateness was first obtained from the Commission, which was not done. Mr. Warren indicated that he would contact the Innkeeper, Martha Augat, about the violation, as well as the Code Enforcement Officer, William Kramer.

- Aurora Town Court Door

Mr. Warren shared with the Commission his recent input with respect to security alterations to the Aurora Town Court door on the second floor of Village Hall. The Commission concurred in Mr. Warren's comments.

- Town/Village Joint Commission

Ms. Deck indicated that she would contact Aurora Town Supervisor Jolene Jeffe about the possibility of a separate informational meeting to discuss areas of mutual interest.

- Vacancy

The commission discussed filling the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Betty Cheteny. A potential candidate, Jason Sexton, was in attendance and discussed his background and interest in historic preservation.

- Historic Resources Survey

Ms. Zaff updated the Commission on her efforts and distributed a draft Request for Proposal document, for further review by the Commission.

- Outreach/Plaque Program

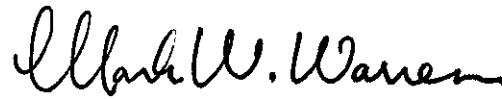
Mr. Warren raised the possibility of a plaque program as an incentive to encourage property owners to seek designation of historic properties as local landmarks. The Commission was receptive to the idea and Mr. Warren indicated that he would obtain more specific information for further consideration by the Commission and eventually the Village Board.

- Unsafe Buildings Ordinance

Mayor Kasprzak and Trustees Shea and Weberg informed the Commission that the Village is considering adoption of an Unsafe Buildings Ordinance and would like some input from the Commission. They furnished a draft copy of the proposed ordinance to Mr. Warren, who indicated that the Commission would review and furnish comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

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Mark W. Warren, Chair