

**MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES, IL
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2011
COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM**

Present: Chairman Smunt, Bobowiec, Norris, Pretz, Weals, and Withey

Absent: Prestidge

Also Present: Russell Colby, Planner
Debbie Graffagna, Recording Secretary

1. Call to order.

Chairman Smunt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and requested that cell phones be turned off or be placed on silent.

2. Approval of agenda.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

3. Presentation of minutes of the April 6, 2011 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Bobowiec and seconded by Mr. Pretz with a unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes as presented.

4. COA: 100 West Main Street – Hotel Baker (Fence)

Mr. Colby advised that Hotel Baker is proposing to replace the existing fence for the service area behind their building. All members agreed that the proposed fence is better than the existing fence. Mr. Curt Bison explained that the fence posts are rotten and the fence has been damaged by snowplows. He further advised that the gate would be in the same location.

A motion was made by Mr. Bobowiec and seconded by Mr. Withey with a unanimous vote to approve the COA as presented.

5. Announcements: Historic Preservation Commission meeting Wednesday May 4, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room.

6. Additional Business.

Mr. Colby addressed to the Commission that if they would like a copy of the new zoning maps, he had several copies that they could have for their records. Mr. Colby also had a

copy of the new Residential Design Guideline Book and explained that a copy would be available in the Building and Code Enforcement Division Office. The Design Guideline is also available on the local website and Mr. Colby demonstrated to the Commission members on the City's website how to look up information on Historic Preservation. The Commission held a round table discussion on the website. All members expressed they were pleased with the information and flow of the material for Historic Preservation on the website and suggested a section on facade improvements and tax incentives. In this discussion Chairman Smunt expressed that he would like to see a link to the site from the library site. Mr. Colby advised that he would check with the library.

The Commission also discussed paint colors. Chairman Smunt stated that the Commission can only advise residents on colors. Ms. Weals stated that the colors should be the colors that are found in nature. Chairman Smunt suggested that there are books with color charts and possibly the City should have them be available for the residence with color charts.

7. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Ms. Weals and seconded by Mr. Bobowiec with a unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting.

With no further discussion, the meeting ended at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Smunt, Chairman
Historic Preservation Commission

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