



VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE
Historic Preservation Commission
MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

LOCATION: 250 Elm Street, Thiensville, WI

TIME: 6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Apostolos called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Chairman

Richard Longabaugh
(Excused)

Commissioners

Joe Miller

Nate Matson (Excused)

Staff

Andy Lafond

Angelina Apostolos

Mary Giuliani

Philip Eckert

Linda Unkefer

III. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

A. Open to any resident or taxpayer on items not subject to a public hearing: Please be advised per §19.84(2), information will be received from the public. Village policy limits a three (3) minute time period per person, with time extension by the presiding official's discretion or a vote of 2/3 of the Board or Committee; be further advised that there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action will be taken under public comments. Written comments on agenda items are encouraged to be sent and addressed to the intended body by noon on the day of the meeting. Comments received timely will be forwarded to all members of the body. If you wish to speak, you must pre-register by emailing the Village Clerk at clandisch@village.thiensville.wi.us by 4:00 PM on the day of the meeting or by signing in immediately prior to the meeting.

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 7, 2025 (att)

MOTION to Approve January 7, 2025 Minutes with Change to Roll Call to Mark Commissioner Giuliani as Present and Commissioner Apostolos as Excused by Commissioner Unkefer **SECONDED** by Commissioner Eckert. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 5

No: 0

Abstain:

VI. BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Review of Plaque Program and 2025 Award (att)

Director LaFond provided an update on the addresses of historic properties listed in village ordinances and mentioned there may be missing data from 2020-2021 due to COVID.

Commissioner Unkefer suggested starting with the property at 177 Green Bay Road due to it's historical significance.

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The commission discussed the historical context of other properties on Green Bay Road including the old bank building and what used to be a hotel just North of where Skippy's Burger Bar is now located.

Director LaFond suggested prioritizing original buildings for plaques and considering alternative methods for sites with no original buildings.

Director LaFond also introduced the idea of a story map to enhance the walking tour experience and demonstrated the story map, showing how it can include photos and historical information.

The Commissioners discussed the cost of plaques and the need for additional funding and Director LaFond mentioned a meeting with the Community Foundation to explore potential grants.

Commissioner Eckert suggested submitting a request to the Mequon-Thiensville Community Foundation for funding assistance but that the request be limited to a specific range of 5-10 plaques.

Commissioner Apostolos posited that plaques or other awards may be granted based on rehabilitation efforts by the building owners rather than being strictly limited to one plaque a year.

The Commissioners agreed to focus on 177 Green Bay Road for the 2025 award.

Director LaFond will bring samples and verbiage for the plaque to the next meeting and discussed the timeline for creating and installing the plaque.

VII. STAFF REPORT

Director LaFond reported no new projects in the last month.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to Adjourn at 6:48 PM by Commissioner Eckert **SECONDED** by Commissioner Miller. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Aye: 5

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Submitted by,

Ben Honeck
Deputy clerk

Signed by,

Colleen Landisch-Hansen
Village Administrator/Clerk