MINUTES
Historic Preservation Commission
July 9, 2020
City Hall, 100 W. Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, IL

1) Call to Order
L. Solak, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

2) Roll Call/Attendance
The following Commission members were present, Nancy Haskins, Diana Kenney, Lisa Solak, Bob Wyman, and Jim Wyman. Hamilton Hale was absent. Staff member Elizabeth Maxwell was present.

3) Public Comment
Judi Halter was present in the audience. She turned in her letter for consideration for appointment to the Commission.

4) Approval of Minutes of the June 4, 2020 Regular Meeting
J. Wyman noted a correction to the minutes. D. Kenney made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 4, 2020 regular meeting. J. Wyman seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

5) Landmark Discussion
The Commission members discussed the letter and that it could be easily modified. L. Solak stated she has not reached out to her property owners yet. Staff relayed an email provided by H. Hale that he did not have luck with the new property owners for 30 N. Walkup. The Cowlin Family was amenable to having the house plaqued, but the current owners, an accounting firm were not. D. Kenney stated that the accounting firm has taken good care of the property.

D. Kenney had reached out to the Park District to discuss landmark status for the Main Beach building. Next year the Park District is celebrating 100 years and they are planning several events. The Director of Park Development and Interpretive Services, Ann Viger, was excited about the idea and would bring it to the Director and the Board for discussion and approval. J. Wyman said he reached out to the Jaster owners by phone and has not heard back so will follow up with a letter. N. Haskins has 50 S. Caroline on her list. She asked about ownership information and found she can get it at the Colonel Palmer House. Everyone is encouraged to reach out with the personalized letters.

7) Member Inquiries and Reports
D. Kenney provided the Commission details about her visit with the Algonquin Township Trustee, Elaine Ramesh, and a representative from stonehugger.com, Helen Wildermuth, to walk the Lake Avenue Cemetery and brainstorm on a restoration plan. D. Kenney explained to the company that because the property and all structures are landmarked, that they will need to submit for a Certificate of Appropriateness. She noted that the HPC can assist with an annual grant. She urged the Township to prioritize the work since this is a multi-year project. She also suggested that trained volunteers could assist with cleaning that would help save money. She will talk with them about changing the name back to Crystal Lake Cemetery since that is the original historic name. Many of the City's founders are buried here.

B. Wyman had dropped off his Certificate of Appropriateness for his foundation repairs. He was able to receive two quotes for the work. The Commission will review the proposal and the grant request at their next meeting.

8) Adjournment

There being no further business, J. Wyman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. D. Kenney seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.