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IRONDEQUOIT *New York*

**Irondequoit Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2024**

Meeting held in Broderick Room, Irondequoit Town Hall.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:31 pm - by Chairperson, Chris Brandt

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

- Present:
 - Bruce Dumbauld (BD)
 - Greg Walther (GW)
 - Sara Corona (SC)
 - Anne Himes (AH)
 - Historian, Gregory Merrick (GM)
 - Town Attorney, Kimberly Campbell; Brown Hutchinson LLP.
- Absent:
 - Jennifer Ahrens (JA)
 - Vice Chairperson, Mark John (MJ)

Quorum met: (simple majority of voting members) (4) YES

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES:

- October 29, 2024 - Motion to adopt minutes with minor corrections by BD / Seconded by GW - Motion carried

PUBLIC INPUT:

- None

NEW APPLICATIONS:

- Certificate of Appropriateness, Public Hearing / Case # HPC-2024-11-01.
Resurrection Lutheran Church, 3736 St Paul Blvd, is seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace two existing message boards with two LED illuminated boards attached to the existing signage structure, on premisses 3736 St. Paul Blvd. an individually designated landmark.

Presentation made by applicant, Steve Stanley (Vital Signs), 532 Rondo Lane, Webster, NY. New message board will replace existing sign board in same location with minimal size differences. Sign will use existing posts for support and electric for illumination. After technical and procedural discussion with Commission members the Hearing was opened to the public for input.

- Gary Muisus, 1388 Creekside Dr, Webster NY, member of the church, spoke in favor of the board as the current one is old.
- Paul Williams, 177 Harvington Dr, Irondequoit NY, member of the church spoke in favor of the new message board as the current sign is over 40 years old and repairs are becoming more useless because of materials wearing out.
- There were no other comments from the public either in favor, apposed or otherwise.

Chairperson, CB, closed public hearing and without further Commission's concerns, he made a motion. CB motioned to approve the CoA, conditioned on Planning Board approval. Further this Commission finds the new message board has little impact on the historical character of the property as it has very similar dimensions and design of the existing sign board. Motion seconded by BD

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATION:

- None

LIAISON REPORT:

- GM reported: The Landmark Society of Western New York, recognized the Town of Irondequoit, The Irondequoit Historical Society, and Past-Historian, Patricia Wayne, with a Special Accommodation Award at their awards ceremony, Sunday, November 17, 2024. This recognition is for the moving and preservation of the Pioneer House, the Cobblestone Blacksmith Shop at the Town Hall Campus and the "Gentlemen's Smokehouse" - on Culver Road. The ceremony was held at the Little Theater of Rochester, on East Ave.
- GM reported: GM's term as Historian expires on December 31, 2024. Tim Judd, who has volunteered in the Historian's Office for over 2 years will be GM's replacement. Tim is a retired, City of Rochester, History Teacher, with Masters in International Studies and is very well qualified to replace GM in this position. GM will still be a volunteer in this office but will not be the Historian.

COMMITTEES:

- Letter and Brochure for Landmark Properties:

SC reported the letters are ready to be printed and mailed out and should be completed next week. SC is currently checking to be sure all the property owners addresses are correct (sometimes the property owner is different from the landmarked property address), which GW has been instrumental in getting updated through the Assessor's Office. Envelopes and postage should not be a problem as there are only 14 properties.

Code Update:

- CB reported: MJ has been working on the Code Updates which are almost finished. A final draft copy should be ready for a final review by the Commission before forwarding it to the Town Board and Attorney for their review.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town-wide Historic Resource Survey:

- CB reported; Any feed back or comments from Commission members regarding their reviews of materials or any concern should be directed to him before the weekend so he can get them out. Use the field work sheets or photo guideline documents as part of any work being done and remember to document work and process in the Google Docs for efficiency.

Wimbledon Road Historic District:

- CB reported: Signage for the Wimbledon Road Historic District has been reviewed by MJ and a follow-up report given at next month's meeting.

690 Titus Ave / corner of Cooper Rd:

- GW asked CB for an update; CB reported the property has been sold and the pending litigation and law suit against the Town has been dismissed as of last week. The new owner is interested in getting the building repaired and getting new tenants soon. New owner is aware of possible need for CoA from the Commission depending on the scope of work.

Landmark Plaques:

- CB reported work on this project will move forward in January or February. Properties and their current plaque status to be identified and monies in next year's budget should provide for a good start to this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CB reported the Commission has received two applications for membership to the Commission as Bruce Dumbauld's term is ending this year and he has chosen not to seek another term. CB, MJ and GM will interview these applicants before the end of the year so the Town Board can act on our choice before our January meeting.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

- CB thank Bruce Dumbauld for his many years of dedicated service to the Commission and the Town.

With no other business before the Commission, Chairman, CB entertained a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURN:

- Motion made by GW, seconded by SC. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.
- Next meeting: Tuesday, December 31, 2024; 7:30 pm; Broderick Room, Irondequoit Town Hall.

PARKING LOT:

- Wimbledon Road Historic District / Historic Plaques / Markers
- Town-wide Historic Resource Survey
- Designation Letter & Brochure
- Code Updates (Town Code - Chapter 236)