

**VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
JANUARY 9, 2013**

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of the Village of Lake Bluff was called to order on January 9, 2013 at 7:07 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room.

Present: Paul Bergmann
Mary Francoeur
Robert Hunter
Randolph Liebelt
Janet Nelson, Chair

Absent: Tom Dobbins
James LaDuke

Also Present: Brandon J. Stanick, Assistant to Village Administrator (A to VA)

2. Consideration of the Minutes of the November 14, 2012 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Member Hunter moved to approve the Minutes of the November 14, 2012 HPC Meeting with a correction to those members listed as present. Member Bergmann seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

3. Non-Agenda Items and Visitors

Chair Nelson noted there was no one present for this item.

4. A Continued Discussion Concerning the Historic Preservation Commission's FY2012-2013 Goals

A to VA Stanick updated the HPC regarding the homeowner letters that will be mailed during the month of January encouraging landmark designation. Chair Nelson described the approach and noted the letters will transmit contact information for an HPC Commissioner and a brief factoid regarding the property. The homeowners are encouraged to contact the listed Commissioner in the event they are interested in pursuing landmark designation.

Chair Nelson opened the floor for discussion concerning the HPC's review of criteria for considering landmark designation for Ranch style homes. The HPC reviewed the materials presented by Staff, which included common exterior features, "character-defining" features, linkage of the house to the site, landscape and setting and roof types. It was the consensus of the HPC to also include chimneys as a consideration of Ranch style homes and a desire to only have guidelines for the exterior of the houses, as well as distinguish "notable builders". Additionally, it was the consensus of the HPC to use the Ranch style features as a guide when considering landmark designation applications for Ranch homes; the guidelines should not be codified.

A discussion ensued regarding the possible pursuit of landmark designating parks within the Village.

5. Chairperson's Report

Chair Nelson had nothing to report.

6. Staff Report

A to VA Stanick reported The Roanoke Group, the owner and developer of the Stonebridge property, is scheduled to return to the PCZBA in March to continue the preliminary review of an amendment to the existing planned residential development. In addition, he reported Pasta Palooza, a new Italian Restaurant at 18-20 E. Scranton Avenue received a recommendation from the PCZBA for a special use permit to allow an eating establishment. The restaurant plans to open March 1, 2013.

7. Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Commission, Member Francoeur moved to close the meeting. Member Liebelt seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon J. Stanick
Assistant to the Village Administrator