

**Village of Mantua
Historic Landmarks Commission
Minutes of Meeting: June 26, 2013**

1. Call to Order

Chair Pollard called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Ms. Pollard, Ms. Hazlett, Ms. Henry, Mr. Hummel, and Mr. Snopek.

Commissioners Absent: Mr. Stamm, and Mr. Ehlert.

Citizens Present: No citizens present.

Motion to excuse Mr. Stamm made by Mr. Snopek. Motion seconded by Mr. Hummel. All ayes. Mr. Stamm excused.

Motion to excuse Mr. Ehlert made by Mr. Snopek. Motion seconded by Ms. Henry. All ayes. Mr. Ehlert excused.

3. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting: April 17, 2013

Chair Pollard brought a typographical error to the attention of the Commission. The Chair inquired whether there was any objection to amending the minutes to correct the error. There was no objection.

Motion by Ms. Henry to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by Mr. Hummel. All ayes. Minutes approved as amended.

4. Report of the Secretary

Mr. Snopek reported that he spoke with the Village Clerk-Treasurer, and that the Village Clerk-Treasurer confirmed that no applications or filings have been made to the Commission.

Mr. Snopek reported on his correspondence with Nathan Bevil (Certified Local Government Coordinator at the Ohio Historic Preservation Office).

Mr. Snopek reported that he required further time to research any potential historic preservation-related tax credit opportunities.

5. Discussion

The Commission engaged in a general discussion in regard to a number of topics, in particular:

- a. Whether the Commission might wish to develop a sample historic inventory form, which was large and easy to read and use;
- b. The differences between the Ohio Historic Office's inventory form and our local inventory form;
- c. The duties of Commissioners, and;
- d. What the Commission might like to do and how it might like to do it, including a discussion of potential projects.

Mr. Hummel shared some excellent photographs he gathered of successful historic preservation in a small town/village in France. These buildings were far older – hundreds of years older - than the oldest buildings in our own village. Yet, it was reported that they were well preserved, cared for, highly desired, and remained in use.

The Commission continued with a general discussion.

Chair Pollard suggested Commissioners investigate the Heritage Ohio website, and the power point presentation made available after Heritage Ohio's recent conference.

Chair Pollard shared some of her experiences with the National Register process, which she acquired with her work with MARSII, and its advocacy on behalf of the Mantua Center School.

The Chair suggested Commissioners consider bringing photos of interesting structures/features of the village to share at the Commission's next meeting.

The Chair suggested the Commission review the Secretary of Interior's Guidelines.

Ms. Hazlett suggested the development of some simple, informative brochures.

Ms. Hazlett also suggested that it might be good to have a representative from the Mantua Historical Society come and speak to the Commission.

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Hummel. Motion seconded by Mr. Snopek. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED WITHOUT AMENDMENT:

Chair Pollard

Secretary Snopek

MINUTES APPROVED AS AMENDED:

Chair Pollard

Secretary Snopek