

CITY OF OTTAWA

301 West Madison Street
Ottawa, Illinois 61350



OTTAWA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (OHPC) September 14, 2023 Minutes

Present: Chris Hasty, Earle Lecki, Lorraine McCallister, Paul Havelka,
Rich Mennecke, Mollie Perrot, Chuck Stanley, Tami Koppen (staff),

Absent: George Cary, Bob Eschbach

Public Comment. No comments

Minutes. Moved by Paul Havelka that the minutes for OHPC meeting held on August 10, 2023 be approved. Second by Lorraine McCallister. All ayes. Motion passed.

Certificate of Appropriateness 822-824 LaSalle Street.

The building owner requests the installation of 4 garage doors along Jackson Street. Commission discussed the outcome of the mural.

Moved by Paul Havelka that the certificate of appropriateness for 822-824 LaSalle Street be approved. Second by Earl Lecki. 6 approve, 1 deny (Chuck Stanley) Motion passed.

State Historical Sign Sarah Gregg. Chuck said costs of the state markers have gone up. He suggested the commission do their own sign. Commission members agreed. Chuck also suggested signage for civil war monument. Both signs are proposed in Washington Square Park. These two signs will be in future budgets.

Mark Twain Sign. Commission briefly discussed the signage. Lorraine will finish and email Tami. Tami will send to Design and Signs for a quote.

National Plaque. The Commission decided to use one vendor for plaques. Building owners will purchase their own plaque.

Round horse fountain on Ottawa Boulevard. The commission discussed relocating the fountain. No location was determined.

Solar panels in a Historic District. Tami stated solar panels are becoming popular in residential areas. What concerns, if any, for installing panels on homes within a historic district? The Commission suggested panels be kept out of sight. The roof would be ok, not on the ground.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Tami L. Koppen