

CITY OF OTTAWA

301 West Madison Street
Ottawa, Illinois 61350



OTTAWA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (OHPC) April 11, 2024 Minutes

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

Absent: Earle Lecki, George Cary

Public Comment. No comments

Minutes. Moved by Chuck Stanley that the minutes for OHPC meeting held on March 14, 2024 be approved. Second by Christy Hasty. All ayes. Motion passed.

Ernest Hemingway sign. Mollie spoke with Dan Bell. The city leases the property and has the authority to locate the sign. Commission discussed locations by the Toll House or east side of Columbus Street. Ottawa Canal Association will donate \$500. Rich Mennecke said to move forward, he will pay for the sign.

Moved by Bob Eschbach that permission be granted to erect a marker on canal property. Second by Paul Havelka. All ayes. Motion passed.

Signage for Local Landmark and/or significant homes. The Commission discussed signage and agreed to focus on the downtown area.

Promoting/Educating Historic Preservation Resources. Mollie stated she would be willing to organize a presentation at the Scouting Museum on the topic of researching the history of one's house. The commission decided fall would be a better time to hold this presentation.

Radium Girls sign request from Illinois State Historical Society. Tami stated that the Historical Society reached out requesting a sign be installed at the Radium Girls site. They were not offering any financial incentives. Commission discussed and determined there's adequate sign in place. Chuck will relay the message to Illinois State Historical Society.

Reschedule May 9th meeting. The meeting is being rescheduled to May 16th at noon.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Tami L. Koppen