

**Draft Minutes of the January 18, 2011 Meeting
Village of Albion Historic Preservation Commission
Village Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by vice chairman Jordan Bonafede who led the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Aric Albright, Andrea Rebeck, Linda Smith, Mariadele Theodorakos, and Jordan Bonafede.

Absent: Matthew Ballard

Introductions were made by those present: Commission members; Bob Ballard, recorder; Mayor Dean Theodorakos, Mary Ann Braunbach, and Richard Nenni.

Public Comment: Dean introduced village resident Richard Nenni who is interested in serving on HPC, as well as Mary Ann Braunbach.

The minutes of the December 21, 2010 meeting were accepted as written after motions by Aric & Andrea. Per Dean's request, Bob will email these to Mary at the office so she can post them on the website.

Old Business:

121 N. Main Street: Dean stated DPW Superintendent Brooks has the estimates on the chimney repairs but has yet to receive them, but that per a verbal discussion with him, that each of the five would carry a cost of \$2,500. It is not known how this compares to the cost of removal and capping but Dean said this could possibly be ascertained from the breakdown of the estimate for roof repair/replacement. It has yet to be determined how many of the five are significant to the historic character of the building.

Updates on Residency/Vacancy: Dean spoke on the public hearing on the proposed local law that would give preference to qualified village residents before considering non-resident property owners. He said Trustees Banker and Miller are working with Attorney Gavenda on wording and should have it ready by next week's Work Session and then subsequently ready for the next public hearing in February. Jordan stated how HPC make up differs from other committees and referred to CLG and Local HPC Laws that requires the specialized services of an architect and historian to be included, among other criteria listed, as qualifications. He urged Dean to relay this information so to ensure everyone's understanding regarding the HPC.

Blue Forms: Jordan spoke on the need to continue work on creating the historical design criteria, and said this should remain a priority.

New Business:

Goals for 2011:

- Residency issue needs to be finalized so that vacancies can be filled and to allow forward movement.
- Andrea spoke on the Western New York Main Street Alliance that includes the communities of Lyons, Lockport and Albion, and whose purpose is to provide design guidelines for Main Streets in these communities as well as the education of building owners. Grant monies have been earmarked for this project and could benefit Albion immensely. Also, additional funding is being provided for a coordinator that is currently vacant, as well as inclusion to the Genesee Orleans Finger Lakes Planning Council.

Trustee Eileen Banker entered the meeting at this point at 7:17 p.m.

Chairman Matt Ballard relayed a message that stated he will be unable to attend Tuesday evening HPC meetings through the end of the spring semester due to class commitments. Through general consent, it was decided to change the HPC meetings to the third Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. and to be held in the conference room upstairs. Should handicap access be required for instances such as public hearings, then the meeting shall be held in the regular meeting hall. Dean instructed Bob to let Mary from the office know so she can properly reserve the room.

Dean spoke on his conversation and information received from Mr. Dan Gleason on design guidelines for the Village of Medina that he is willing to share. Dean said he shall forward this information to Matt.

The next HPC meeting will be Wednesday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. after motions by Aric and Linda.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Ballard,
Recorder
1/19/11