CITY OF BELVIDERE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES June 24 2025 5:30 pm

City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Staff Present:

Kim Coniglio, Vice Chair David Kummerow Alexandra Omiotek Natali Monaghan Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent:

Dawn Brooks, Chair Lisa Kummerow Sonya Dobberfuhl

Kim Coniglio called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (Monaghan/Omiotek) to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2025 meeting. Motion carried with a 4-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Downtown Façade Improvement Grant Program applications: Gina DelRose stated that a total of \$48,218.78 was requested but only \$27,373.00 is available.

Ms. DelRose gave a summary of the twelve applications received. Two applications are ineligible due to receiving funds in the past three years, one application is not visible from State Street and therefore, will not have the same impact as other applications. Ms. DelRose explained her reasoning for the way she is proposing to distribute the \$27,373.00 in available funds to the remaining nine applicants.

David Kummerow confirmed that the funding for the grant comes from video gaming revenue.

There was no further discussion.

It was moved and seconded (Omiotek/Coniglio) to recommend approval of grant rewards as proposed by staff. Motion carried with a 4-0 roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2025 Awards Program: Gina DelRose reminded the Commission to keep an eye out for potential award winners.

Natali Monaghan stated that the former Wolf residence appears to be having a significant amount of work done.

Promotional/Fundraising Events:

<u>Stained Glass Window Tour</u>- Gina DelRose stated that she would begin contacting churches again after Heritage Days.

Scavenger Hunt- Gina DelRose stated that the scavenger hunt will be August 16, 2025.

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<u>Chef's Night</u>- Gina DelRose stated that she has not received funds from Sips and Sprinkles yet and that this agenda item will be ongoing throughout the year.

<u>Victorian Era Picnic</u>- Gina DelRose stated that the picnic at the Funderburg House will be on July 26, 2025 and that she made save the date flyers to keep at the Museum.

<u>Property Maintenance Grant:</u> Gina DelRose stated that there will be no updates until requests for reimbursements are received.

<u>Expenditures</u>: Gina DelRose stated that there have been no expenditures. Ms. DelRose stated that she will not request reimbursement for items purchased for the Victorian Picnic fundraisers until enough tickets have been sold to allow for a profit.

<u>Friends of Preservation:</u> David Kummerow suggested having another meeting in the fall when people have more time to attend events.

Natali Monaghan stated that she could ask Carol Rowe to present on historic properties.

OTHER BUSINESS:

<u>Images of America: Belvidere and Boone County, Boone County Journal Postcard</u> Books, A Walk Through Time

Royalties: None.

Book Sales: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

Staff Report: Gina DelRose stated that Heritage Days is June 27th-28th.

NEXT MEETING DATE: July 22, 2025

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Recorded by

Community Development Planner