

CITY OF BELVIDERE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
February 24, 2026
5:30 pm
City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Dawn Snow, Chair
David Kummerow
Lisa Kummerow
Sonya Dobberfuhl
Natali Monaghan
Carl Swanson

Staff Present:

Gina DelRose, Community Development Planner

Members Absent:

Kim Coniglio, Vice Chair

Dawn Snow called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

MINUTES: It was moved and seconded (L. Kummerow/Monaghan) to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2026. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Work Plan

2025 Awards Program: Gina DelRose explained the history of the awards program and encouraged everyone to think of the 2026 recipients.

Promotional/Fundraising Events: Gina DelRose questioned what months the Commission wanted to hold the various fundraisers.

Dawn Snow confirmed that May and June are not good months due to the time spend on Heritage Days, graduations, etc.

Carl Swanson confirmed that the windows from the old Methodist Church are in storage.

Lisa Kummerow noted that live music would be nice to have at the picnics.

Carl Swanson stated that the Boone County Conservation District has some costumes from the Pioneer Days festival.

Gina DelRose will send out an email to confirm availability of the following dates:

Scavenger Hunt- April 18th or 25th.

Stained Glass Window- July 18th or 25th.

Victorian Picnic- September 19th 26th.

Property Maintenance Grant: Dawn Snow questioned the ability to wrap windows due to lead abatement.

Gina DelRose stated that she would need to see how they are being wrapped.

Gina DelRose stated that the Commission has approximately \$2,500 to award.

Expenditures: None.

Friends of Preservation: David Kummerow stated that attendees should be encouraged to come with questions instead of having a set program.

Gina DelRose will email the Commission to see what dates in April work best.

Carl Swanson stated that the Parks and Conservation Foundation is working on a project to highlight the historic events that have occurred on property owned by the Boone County Conservation District.

David Kummerow stated that information could be shared in the History Keeper newsletter.

Natali Monaghan stated that Carol Rowe could do a presentation at a later date.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

Royalties: None.

Book Sales: None.

DISCUSSION: Sonya Dobberfuhr stated that she is giving a lecture about her book in April.

Gina DelRose stated that elections are coming up.

Staff Report: Gina DelRose gave a recap of downtown façade renovations and new businesses in Belvidere.

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 24, 2026

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

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Gina DelRose
Community Development Planner