Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission Education Committee

September 27th, 2016 Meeting Minutes Oak Park Village Hall, Room 215, 7:30 pm

A. Roll Call

PRESENT: Chair Dan Moroney, Rebecca Houze, Jennifer Bridge, Karen Doty, Frank

Heitzman

ABSENT: Liz Holt, Laura Jordahl, Gary Palese, Don McLean, David Sokol

STAFF: Douglas Kaarre, Urban Planner/Historic Preservation was not present

B. MINUTES

Motion by Moroney to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting as submitted. Second by Houze. Motion approved 5-0.

AYE: Houze, Bridge, Chair Moroney, Doty, Heitzman

NAY: None

C. Landmark Link

Topic was not discussed, as Staff Liaison was not present to present the next issue.

D. Historic Preservation Awards

Awards are set for Wednesday, December 7th. Staff Liaison is free to delegate any tasks that need to be done for the event.

E. S.T.O.P. Alley Signs

Committee discussed ideas for preservation and reuse of S.T.O.P. Alley Signs that often appear at the ends of older alleys throughout the village. Some ideas that were discussed are as follows:

Mandate that the concrete contractor reuse them when alleys are being replaced

- Perhaps the signs could be landmarked, thus necessitating that be reused
- A survey should be done to determine how many there are in the village and where they appear
- Provide new Historical Society building with a set for display
- Inform the Public Art Commission that some sets are available for public art use
- Offer a set to homeowners who are building new garages. Perhaps they would want to imbed them in the slabs of their new garages.

F. Brochures

Suggestions for brochures included the following:

Frank Lloyd Wright Prairie School of Architecture Historic District -

No suggestions made.

The Gunderson Historic District -

- Picture adjacent to Gunderson Two-Flats seems uninspired. Picture that appears above map seems to be a two flat and might be a good alternative.
- Add picture of the original Gunderson home on the SW corner of Jackson and Elmwood now that it has been renovated.
- Space needed between numerous and Oak Park in the Gunderson Two-Flats section

Ridgeland/Oak Park Historic District -

Add picture of Pleasant Home

Researching Your Oak Park Home -

 Commissioner Bridge recently conducted a historic search of her home and found a handful of resources that do not appear in the original brochure. She has agreed to write up some additions to the brochure and will share with Staff Liaison when completed.

Other Business

No other business was discussed.

National Trust Grant

Commissioners were not clear what needed to be discussed on this topic. Therefore, it was tabled until next meeting.

Motion by Moroney to adjourn. Second by Houze. Motion approved: 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Minutes prepared Dan Moroney.