

Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board Minutes
April 20, 2016
Indiana Statehouse
House Committee Room 156a
200 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Board members present: Deputy-Director Chris Smith; DNR, Chairman; Jim Corridan; Beth McCord; J. Scott Keller; Dan Kloc

Staff members present: DHPA Director Mitch Zoll, Paul Diebold, Holly Tate, Amy Borland, Chad Slider, Ashley Thomas, Steve Kennedy, David Duvall, Cathy Draeger-Williams, Rachel Sharkey, Kim Padgett, and Amy Johnson of DHPA

Visitors/Speakers present included: Mark Dollase; Laura Barton; Dale Gick; Sara Rotz; JoMary Baller; Connie Ziegler; Mandy Alexander and Janna Lippie (both Luna Language Services Interpreters for the deaf)

Call to Order

Deputy Director Chris Smith convened the meeting at 2:02 P. M.
Deputy Director Smith introduced himself and opened the meeting.

The minutes from the January 20, 2016 board meeting were approved. Motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan and seconded by Beth McCord.

Jim Corridan asked that the Rules and Procedures of the Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board booklet be updated, since it was developed in the 1980's and may no longer reflect current codes of ethics and other practices. Chris Smith directed DHPA staff to work with Ed Harcourt to revise this booklet and bring it back to the board for approval within roughly one year's time.

Division Director's Report:

The statewide Preserving Historic Places conference will be held between April 26th and 29th in Vincennes, IN.

DHPA will present the Section 106 Workshop in Vincennes on April 26, 2016. Plans are being made to host another Section 106 training in the northwest portion of the state.

DHPA staff members and data entry personnel are working hard and anticipate the entry of paper above-ground records into the SHAARD database will be complete by the end of 2017, or early 2018.

DHPA was recently involved in three workshops on topics such as women's history, advocacy training for preservation, and death and genealogy.

There will be seven (7) interns starting at DHPA this summer.

National Register Applications

1. **Lemuel Allen Farm**, 3768 E. Pleasant Ridge Road, Madison vicinity, Jefferson County (2127). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan and seconded by J. Scott Keller. The motion was approved unanimously.
2. **Mathias Wolf Farm**, 4137 E. Pleasant Ridge Road, Madison vicinity, Jefferson County (2128). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and seconded by Beth McCord. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. **Willard & Josephine Hubbard House**, 1941 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, Marion County (2254). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. Chris Smith asked if the historic district that this house was located in is still listed. Paul Diebold responded yes, and that this particular home is a special case since individual buildings within already listed districts are not usually individually nominated. A motion to approve was made by Beth McCord and seconded by Jim Corridan. The motion was approved unanimously.
4. **Shields' Mill Covered Bridge**, Shields Road – C.R. 200 N, 1 mile north of U.S. 50, spanning the East Fork of the White River, Brownstown vicinity, Jackson County (2359). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. Jim Corridan asked for clarification if this bridge was over White River. Paul Diebold responded that it was. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and seconded by J. Scott Keller. The motion was approved unanimously.
5. **Modern Architecture of Rensselaer, Indiana Multiple Property Documentation Form**, Jasper County (2418). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. J. Scott Keller asked if this type of nomination differs from a thematic study. Paul Diebold explained that the NPS changed the thematic study format into the multiple property in the late 1980's, concurrent with a major revision to the NR form and manual. A motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan and seconded by J. Scott Keller. The motion was approved unanimously.
6. **Charles Halleck Student Center**, Father Gross Road, St. Joseph College, Rensselaer vicinity, Jasper County, (2419). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. Jim Corridan asked if this was the first religious institution to request a nomination. Paul Diebold responded that it wasn't, and Steve Kennedy explained that the new change was that religious institutions could now apply for grants. A motion to approve was made by Beth McCord and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.
7. **Schwietermann Hall**, Schuster Road, St. Joseph College, Rensselaer vicinity, Jasper County (2420). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion was approved unanimously.
8. **Hugh & Leona Rank House**, 975 Winding Road, Rensselaer vicinity, Jasper County (2428). Paul Diebold gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Jim Corridan and seconded by J. Scott Keller. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. **Norris Farm-Maxinkuckee Orchard**, 18799 Peach Road, Culver vicinity, Marshall County (2434). Amy Borland gave the staff comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and seconded by Beth McCord. The motion was approved unanimously.

State Certificates of Approval

1. Continuance of Certificate of Approval application for the demolition of Simpson Hall, located on the campus of the Indiana School for the Deaf, Indianapolis, Washington Township, Marion County (Continued from January for purposes of providing additional documentation). Chris Smith noted that this item would be further tabled as a proposal and additional documentation are still being compiled and evaluated by the ISD and IDOA.
2. Continuance of Certificate of Approval application for the demolition of the Model Farm House at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, Marion County (Continued from January for purposes of providing additional documentation). Laura Barton spoke on behalf of the property. She gave the update that additional attempts were made to find a way of either utilizing or moving the Model Farm House, but to no avail. She proposed that a model of the farmhouse be made available as an exhibit inside the Family Home and Arts Building at the Fairgrounds as a means of preserving the legacy of the Model Farm House. Mark Dollase, Indiana Landmarks, confirmed that relocation was not an option and noted that they would not oppose the demolition of the Model Farmhouse. Jim Corridan asked what the Fairgrounds' timeline was for this work, and Laura Barton responded by August. Jim Corridan made motion to approve per staff conditions as noted in the original staff comment and also with the amendment that a model and interpretation of the Model Farm House would be part of the mitigation and also the appropriate documentation would be sent to both the DHPA and to Indiana State Archives. J. Scott Keller seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. Certificate of Approval concerning removal of a dam and associated activities related to stream/wetland restoration at Fawn River State Fish Hatchery, Orland, Steuben County. Ashley Thomas gave the staff comments. The Fawn River State Fish Hatchery was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on January 2, 1997. The dam that is proposed for removal is a contributing resource within the listed property. The staff considers both the dam and the Fawn River State Fish Hatchery to be "historic" under state law, since the property is listed in the State and National Registers. Thomas noted the staff-recommended conditions. Dale Gick, IDNR, Division of Engineering, confirmed the poor quality of the dam and that the hatchery is now running on wells. Dan Kloc made the motion to approve per staff conditions as noted in the staff comment and Beth McCord seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
4. Update for the Certificate of Approval application regarding the Indiana Bicentennial Commission's creation of an Education Center as the orientation and information center for Statehouse tours at the Indiana State Library located at 315 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, Marion County. Ashley Thomas gave the staff comments. The current submission includes modification of an exterior transom window to accommodate ventilation for the new bathrooms, which involves removal of the center transom panels of the exterior window and interior storm window and installation of a decorative bronze powder-coated panel to blend with the existing window color. Also, renovations of the

State Office Building tunnels between the Indiana State Library and Indiana Statehouse are proposed. For the tunnel from the Statehouse to the North State Office building the scope of work includes removal of the existing glazed block walls and installation of a new stud wall with large format tiles, installation of new carpet tiles on the floor and acoustic lay-in ceiling. For the tunnel between the North State Office Building and the State Library and the south end of the basement corridor in the State Library new large format tile will be installed over the existing glazed block walls. Also, two new security doors will be installed at the south end of the basement corridor in the State Library. Jim Corridan made the motion to approve the certificate of approval request with the condition that IDOA work with DHPA to incorporate the repair and function of the original bronze door into the project, if feasible. Staff and board discussion ensued, to-wit: This exterior bronze door is currently "stowed" in pocket door fashion, as originally intended when the facility was open for patrons. The door was most visible during closed hours, when it could be swung or pulled into position to close the entryway. Because of the current doorway system, the bronze door is locked into a "stowed" position where it cannot be seen. J. Scott Keller seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Grant Evaluation Criteria and Priorities for FY 2017 Historic Preservation Fund Grants

Text provided by Steve Kennedy, DHPA.

Overall, the DHPA Staff was satisfied with the way that the evaluation criteria drafted for federal Fiscal Year 2016 responded to the preservation needs of the state – as identified by both the DHPA Staff and the public. Also, the Grants Staff has determined that the FY2016 grant evaluation criteria worked very well from a programmatic standpoint, including the revisions and clarifications enacted last year. There are further clarifications and a few programmatic changes proposed for FY2017.

Administrative Criteria:

Revisions to the Administrative Criteria are primarily for clarification. Criterion #7 was revised in 2015 to clarify that full CLG credit will be given to proposals for which the CLG is a co-sponsor or provides written support for the project; the 2016 criterion clarified that the entire project must be within the CLG jurisdiction (this is particularly important for potential archaeology projects for which large areas may be included in the project – partly inside and partly outside the CLG's jurisdiction); and the 2017 criterion has further clarified that projects claiming CLG credit get full points or no points and can no longer score "half credit" since the DHPA cannot claim partial credit for CLG pass-through. In the past, this criterion allowed for half credit when proposed projects had co-applicants and one was a CLG and one was not, but staff has realized that the practice of awarding half credit in such instances is not practical, hence this year's revision. No changes have been made to point values. The Minimum Administrative Score remains 65.0 points in order for proposals to be recommended for funding.

Architectural and Historical Criteria:

For the Architectural and Historical Criteria, no changes were made other than to update a single year reference. No adjustments were made to the point values. Annual updates were made to the list of Historic Districts Targeted for National Register Nomination to reflect districts that are currently being nominated, and the Multiple Property Documentation Form Priority List was also revised.

Archaeology Criteria:

For the Archaeology Criteria, no changes were made other than to update a single year reference. No adjustments were made to the point values. There were no substantive changes to the Archaeological Goals and Objectives, and one site was added to the list of Special Topic Sites.

Acquisition and Development Criteria:

For the Acquisition & Development Criteria, no changes were made other than to update a single year reference. No adjustments were made to the point values.

Historic Preservation Fund Grant Program Guidelines:

Finally, the Historic Preservation Fund Grant Program Guidelines worked very well for purposes of clarifying all of the procedures that the DHPA uses to administer the HPF Program. No substantive changes were made to the Guidelines and no changes have been made to the Sliding Scale Funding Percentages Chart. Only minor editorial changes have been made solely for clarification and update.

Friday, April 15th was the deadline for submitting written public comments on these proposed evaluation criteria. This year, only one public comment was received, consisting of two parts.

The first part was a suggestion to award more points to projects that would correct archaeological data inconsistencies in the SHAARD database under the Archaeological Category. In the past, there were more points available, when this criterion was originally structured as a stand-alone activity, so that someone could devise and apply for a project of identifying and correcting data inconsistencies in SHAARD. However, after several years when no one applied for such a stand-alone activity, we revised this criterion and reduced the points, so that it is now a "bonus" given to other projects that may have some data correction component built in to them. Therefore, based on our past experience with this criterion and the idea that was suggested, the DHPA staff recommends leaving this criterion as it is structured now, and feels that the current point value is appropriate.

The second part of this public comment, also concerning the Archaeological Category, inquired about a perceived date discrepancy that may result in some confusion. In order to address this, the DHPA staff recommends that we simply eliminate the parenthetical dates that are provided and leave the narrative text as it is; this should adequately address the concern and eliminate the opportunity for confusion. These two items were the only public comments received.

Chris Smith asked how many applications have received half CLG credit in the past. Steve Kennedy responded that it was a very low number. Jim Corridan asked for clarification into the listing of some cultures as "high priority" on the grant application over others. Cathy Draeger-Williams and Beth McCord explained that the difference had to do with prehistoric cultures and historic cultures, the high priority on prehistoric cultures. Jim Corridan suggested that African American studies not be overlooked as a priority. Beth McCord made the motion to accept, as amended. Jim Corridan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Properties Listed in, Rejected by, or Removed from the National Register since the last Notification

Listed

BOONE COUNTY,

Simpson--Breedlove House, 3650 US 421, Zionsville vicinity, 16000075, LISTED, 3/15/16
(Eagle Township and Pike Township, Indiana MPS)

LAWRENCE COUNTY,

Clampitt Site, Address Restricted, Bedford vicinity, 16000076, LISTED, 3/15/16

MARION COUNTY,

Indianapolis Public Library Branch No. 3, 2822 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, 16000077,
LISTED, 3/15/16

Indianapolis Public Library Branch No. 6, 1801 Nowland Ave., Indianapolis, 16000078,
LISTED, 3/15/16

Oriental Lodge No. 500, 2201 Central, Indianapolis, 16000079, LISTED, 3/15/16

MARSHALL COUNTY,

Erwin House, 2518 14-B Rd., Bourbon vicinity, 16000080, LISTED, 3/15/16

Rejected

None

Removed

None

Set date for next meeting:

Smith noted the date and special location of the next meeting.

Proposed date: July 20, 2016, Indiana Government Center, Conference Room C, 2:00 p.m.

Deadline for receipt of Certificate of Approval applications: June 10, 2016, 4:45 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:01pm.