Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board Minutes
July 28, 2010
Indiana Government Conference Center
Conference Room A
302 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Board members present: Robert E. Carter, Jr., Chairman; John Newman, Vice Chairman; William Selm, Julie Donnell, Mitch Zoll, and Dan Kloc

Staff members present: DHPA Director Dr. James Glass, Paul Diebold, Frank Hurdis, Amy Walker, Chad Slider, David Duval, Amy Johnson, Holly Tate, of DHPA and Susan Judy, DNR Admin Pool

Visitors/Speakers present included Brad Rody, IDNR District Forester; AJ Ariens, Forestry Division; Hank Hefner; Del & Janet Kloeker; and Ihor Boyko, IDNR Attorney

Call to Order

Chairman Robert E. Carter Jr. convened the meeting at 1:32 P. M.

John Newman asked that the minutes from the April 28, 2010 board meeting be expanded to include reference to his meeting with Jim Glass and Frank Hurdis earlier that month regarding technical changes to National Register nominations. A motion to approve the minutes incorporating that change was made by Julie Donnell and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion passed.

Chairman Carter requested the Division Director’s report.

I. Division Director’s Report:

Hoosier Heritage Day 2010

August 12 is Hoosier Heritage Day at the Indiana State Fair. Jeannie Regan-Dinius of our staff has been coordinating the efforts of 14 state agencies and statewide heritage organizations to put together hands-on experiences involving Indiana Heritage on State Fair Boulevard. Don Cochran will be providing a flint knapping experience in our division booth, and the U.S. Geological Survey will be demonstrating remote sensing technology for identifying archaeological resources. Dave Duvall will be offering advice as the House Doctor to those working on their old houses.

Archaeology Month 2010

September 2010 is the 15th anniversary of a statewide celebration of archaeology in our state. Our division is proud to coordinate this event each year. The month will include a variety of interesting archaeological activities for the public. The deadline for event hosts to provide their event information to the Division is this Friday, but already the following agencies are hosting activities: the National Park Service, the Department of Natural Resources, state universities, local...
historical societies, libraries and more. The DHPA website has an entire section devoted to Indiana Archaeology Month, and information regarding the Calendar of Events, the commemorative posters and shirts, and more will be available. Governor Daniels has signed the 15th anniversary Proclamation (copies are at Board members’ places). Our archaeology staff looks forward to being part of a number of the exciting events held during the month.

Cemetery Restoration Workshops

We’re holding our advanced Cemetery Restoration Workshop (Workshop II) for 2010 on August 14-15. The workshop is a one-day session which focuses on advanced cemetery preservation techniques, including fixing breaks, resetting obelisks, and how to mix stone dust to fill in cracks. The entire workshop will be spent in a cemetery, where participants will gain more hands-on experience repairing stones.

Courthouse Preservation Advisory Commission

The Courthouse Preservation Advisory Commission, which our division helps staff, has sent out requests for proposals to consultants on its qualified professional list to assist it in preparing its report to the Indiana General Assembly on the value and needs for the future of the state’s 84 historic courthouses. Proposals are available from me and are due August 20. The Commission expects to select a consultant at its October 13 meeting. The report is to be submitted to the General Assembly by August 1, 2011.

SHAARD Enhancement Grant

The Indiana Department of Transportation and the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology have received a $200,000 transportation research grant from the Federal Highway Administration that we are going to use to enhance the capabilities of the SHAARD data base. We will be able to add county, township, and historic district history to SHAARD, link archaeology and cemetery registry data sets, enhance the ability to search archaeology reports entered into SHAARD, facilitate the submission electronically of archaeology site information and reports, and facilitate use GIS data through SHAARD.

Mounds Inventory Project Grant

The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology has also confirmed that it has received an $180,000 Preserve America grant through the National Park Service to conduct the first comprehensive inventory and study statewide of Indiana’s rich prehistoric mound heritage. Working with archaeologists at several universities in the state and several individual archaeologists, the division expects to prepare an inventory of mounds and report over the next 3 years.

II. National Register Applications

1. *Lustron Houses in Indiana* Multiple Property Documentation Form (1812)
   Holly Tate, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no questions or additional comments. A motion to approve was made by John Newman and was seconded by William Selm. The motion
passed unanimously.

2. Forest-Moraine Residential Historic District, roughly bounded by Wildwood Rd., 165th St., Hohman Ave. and Stateline Ave., Hammond, Lake County, IN (2164)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. John Newman noted the lack of a reference to Sanborn maps and suggested a source in the bibliography. A motion to approve was made by Daniel Kloc and was seconded by Julie Donnell. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Forest-Southview Residential Historic District, roughly bounded by 165th Street, Hohman Ave., Locust Street, and State Line Ave., Hammond, Lake County, IN (2167)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no questions or additional comments. A motion to approve was made by John Newman and was seconded by William Selm. The motion passed.

4. George H. Vehslage house, 515 North Chestnut Street, Seymour, Jackson County, IN (2168)
   Holly Tate, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional comments or questions. A motion to approve was made by Julie Donnell and was seconded by Mitch Zoll. The motion passed.

5. White County Asylum (Lakeview Home), 5271 Norway Rd., Monticello, White County, IN (2185)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. He stated that the Asylum is threatened and its future is in doubt, so it was reviewed by staff out of order. John Newman commented that the nomination cites the annual reports of the Board of State Charities of Indiana which are located in the State Archives. He suggested that an inventory of records at the home should be made by the State Archives. A motion to approve was made by John Newman and was seconded by Julie Donnell.
   The motion passed.

III. State Certificates of Approval

1. Request by the Indiana State Fairgrounds Commission to replace the roofs on horse barns 209 and 214 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1202 East 38th Street, Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. Karie Brudis, DHPA, gave the staff comments. Daniel Kloc noted that the method of roof installation appeared to involve an overlay of metal over shingles and thought that the Board should approve the method of application. He asked if the State Fair Board has hired a design professional to define specifications and details. Karie indicated that she did not believe they had. Dan Kloc made a motion to approve item #1 for a State Certificates of Approval with the condition that the Indiana State fairgrounds use the services of design professional for the details of the project. Also included in the motion was the approval of wood siding on the cupolas. The motion was seconded by Julie Donnell. The motion passed.

2. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry to alter the Service Building by converting three maintenance bays into office space, replacing the garage doors, and remodeling the bathroom at Salamonie River State Forest, Wabash County. Chad Slider, DHPA, gave the staff comments. No comments or
questions were made. A motion to approve was made by John Newman and seconded by Mitch Zoll. The motion passed.

IV. State Historic Sites Master Plans

1. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Museum & Historic Sites for review of their proposed Master Plan for ISM historic sites in Corydon, Harrison County, Indiana.

2. Request by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Museum & Historic Sites for review of their proposed Master Plan for ISM historic sites in Vincennes, Knox County, Indiana.

Frank Hurdis, DHPA, gave the staff comments on the two master plans. Julie Donnell expressed concern that the site plan for Sugar Loaf Mound at Vincennes imposed a contemporary landscape and vegetation design over a sacred mound, rather than being a plan that was derived from the historic feature. She expected more depth of research. Link Ludington, architectural historian with the Indiana State Museum, was available for questions but turned to Doug Decker, site manager, who is more familiar with the site. Decker stated the mound is not a burial mound or ceremonial site. There has been some concern over liability arising for the State from illegal sledding on Sugar Loaf Mound. Dan Kloc asked if the vegetation on the mound was based on original landscape forms or designs. Decker replied that it was not. Discussion turned to the master plan for the historic sites in Vincennes. Jim Glass asked whether the mound shown in the Vincennes plan is “human made”. Decker answered that it was basically created from a trash heap that was covered over years ago and the vegetation was established for esthetic improvement. John Newman moved to table the request for approval of the master plans for the State Historic Sites in Corydon and Vincennes until a site visit can be made of all three locations—Lanier Mansion, Vincennes and Corydon. Daniel Kloc seconded the motion. The motion to table was approved.

V. Reports on Emergency Repairs

1. Report on Emergency Repairs to CCC-built stone wall at Versailles State Park, Ripley County, Indiana. Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave staff comments. Ben Clark, Historic Preservation Officer, State Parks and Reservoirs, explained that the collapse of the wall had already occurred and had to be repaired quickly. The park used mostly the original stones. The DHPA staff recommended proceeding with the work as an emergency. A motion was made to accept the report by John Newman. Julie Donnell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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

Listed

Thornhurst Addition Historic District, bounded by 650 to 742 W. Main, Thornhurst Dr., and Rogers Rd., Carmel, Hamilton Co. (2110)
Josephus Atkinson Farm, 4474 W. CR 400 S., Clymers vicinity, Cass Co. (2124)
Charles E. Nichols House, 231 W. Commercial Ave., Lowell, Lake Co. (2143)
Jim Glass commented on the morning training session held earlier in the day. It was quite helpful and there were many suggestions made especially covering how to handle technical changes. John Newman had suggested that a subcommittee be formed make recommendations that the full board can consider at the October meeting. Chairman Carter appointed John Newman to head this subcommittee.

**VII-. Set date for the next meeting**

The proposed date of Wednesday, October 27, 2010, IGCS, Conference Room A, 1:30 p.m. (EDT) was approved unanimously by the Board Members.

**Indiana Historic Preservation Review Board Meeting Dates for 2011**

Mark your calendars for meeting dates.  
January 26; April 27; July 27; October 26

All meetings are in Conference room “A”, unless otherwise noted.  
All meetings are reserved for a starting time of 1:30 PM (EDT except for the January meeting which is EST)

**Deadline for receipt of Certificate of Approval applications:**

Friday, September 17, 2010, 4:45 p.m. (EDT)

Chairman Carter made a motion to adjourn. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned 2:16 p.m. (EDT)