

Community Preservation Panel July 2, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at the Aurora Firehouse meeting room at 7:00 pm

Present: Chairperson Jim Burkett, Jeff Blum, Claire Morehouse, and Julia Rossmann

Absent: John Wendler

Others Present

Village Officials: Clerk Ann Balloni, ZBA member Laura Holland, and Historian Dr. Linda Schwab

Aurora Historical Society: President Shirley Egan

Inns of Aurora: Corey Guerrette

Members of the Public: Paul Paluszewski

Call to Order: Mr. Burkett called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Changes to the Agenda: New Business will be discussed before Old Business.

Approval of Minutes: On motion by Morehouse, seconded by Blum, the CPP voted to approve the June 5, 2025, minutes.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Wendler

Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements: Blessing of the Boats is July 4 and AuroraFest is July 12

Old Business

Village Zoning Law Section VII Amendments: Mr. Burkett reviewed the tentative changes and the panel discussed with Dr. Schwab the differences between preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, and reconstruction and Dr. Schwab noted that the four can overlap depending on the project.

The panel agreed to table the discussion to the next CPP meeting.

New Business

Application #25-20 from the Inns of Aurora to demolish a shed at 348 Main Street (Tax Map #182.13-1-24.114)

The CPP reviewed the application and Dr. Schwab noted the documentation on the building that she submitted to the Village Board in 2017. Mr. Guerrette requested a copy of Dr. Schwab's brief and the clerk obliged.

Mr. Burkett noted that discussion of the project will begin following the public hearing.

On motion by Morehouse, second by Rossmann, the CPP voted to schedule a public hearing for Application #25-20 for August 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Wendler

Motion carried unanimously.

Application #25-23 from Constantine Winery, LLC for a sign at 379 Main Street (Tax Map #182.09-1-25)

The panel noted that the sign proposal is the same size and style as a previous business in the same building, approved by the CPP.

On motion by Morehouse, second by Rossmann, the CPP voted to approve Application #25-23 as it meets the criteria of “replacement-in-kind” per section 709.E.2 of the Village Zoning Law.

Adjournment: On motion by Morehouse, seconded by Blum, the CPP voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Wendler

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni
Village Clerk