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**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, ILLINOIS**

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**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, May 7, 2026

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**MEETING LOCATION:** Ward Willits House, 1445 Sheridan Road, Highland Park IL

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**CALL TO ORDER**

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The meeting began at 6:30 pm. This Commission meeting takes place off-site at 1445 Sheridan Road.

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**ROLL CALL**

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Commissioners Present: Chairperson Weeder; Commissioners Ehrlich, Gonka, Hartinger, Pines, & Portman

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Councilmember Present: Blumberg, Ross, Mayor Rotering

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Student Council Absent: Cooper Baum & Gabi Goldstein

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Student Council Present: None

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Staff declared that a quorum was present.

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Staff Present: Planner Markle, Senior Planner Coleman, and City Manager Neukirch

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Guests Present: Thomas Hiller, Peijian Sun, Cedar Roofing Company, Northshore School District 112, and Mary Seyfarth.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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There was no approval of minutes.

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**SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

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Staff presented the winners of the 2026 Historic Preservation Awards.

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Winners Thomas Hiller and representatives of North Shore School District 112 spoke about their preservation projects.

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Resident Mary Seyfarth spoke about the Rocky the Raccoon Weathervane and the relocation of “The Flight of Time” clock.

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**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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There were no discussion items.

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**BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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**OTHER BUSINESS**

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**STAFF REPORT**

There was no Staff Report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maddy Markle

Commission Secretary