

Commission will protect landmarks

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BELLAIRE – Bellaire Village Council recently passed an ordinance establishing a historic landmarks commission for the village.

In part, this was brought about by the work being conducted by the Great Stone Viaduct Historical Education Society.

The commission will be tasked with providing for the “protection and enhancement of the distinctive character

of the historic resources” of Bellaire.

Now, village leaders are on the hunt for members to join the commission’s ranks.

The commission will consist of seven members, four of which must be residents of the village.

The remaining members may be non-residents who have personally engaged in active business enterprise of profession within the village during the previous five years from their appointment to the commission.

All members will be appointed by the mayor with the approval of village council, but only after a prior public notice has been given of the vacancy or appointment to be filled.

Dan Marling, Village Administrator for Bellaire, noted nominations will be accepted from the board of trustees of the Bellaire Glass Museum, the Great Stone Viaduct Historical Education Society and the Bellaire Area Chamber of Commerce.

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Any nominations being submitted must be accompanied by a resume prepared by the nominee, outlining their qualifications to serve on the commission.

All nominees should have a recognized knowledge and interest in architectural preservation, design and history.

They should have ownerships of property in the village, along with a record of maintenance in compliance

with all local building codes, zoning laws and safety and health regulations.

Initially, three members will be appointed for one year, two for two years and two for three years.

All subsequent terms shall be for a period of three years. Vacancies caused by death, resignation or otherwise will be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointments.

The members of the com-

mission will serve without compensation.

Marling asked that all nominations be turned into the village no later than Thursday, Oct. 31.

He noted the personnel committee of council will be the first line in the reviewing process, before council as a whole makes its recommendations to the mayor for appointment.

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