



**BOLINGBROOK  
HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION  
COMMISSION**

**Meeting on 1/13/26**

**COMMISSION OFFICERS**

Chairperson: Bill Kohl

Vice Chairperson: Pat Treadway

Secretary: Ruth Blumenstein-Costello

Treasurer – Mary Wolak

Commissioners: Bill Kohl, Anthony Barauskis, Ruth Blumenstein-Costello, Ed Bouley, Judy Bredeweg, Celia Chretien, Jeanette Ginocchio, Ron Ginocchio, Dominick Guida, Mark Hayes, Joe Noce, Mike O'Connor, Joeseeph Picciuca, Ed Russell, Melfa Sarkaria, Pat Smith, Pat Treadway, Susan Varno, Jerry Wolak, Mary Wolak

GUEST: Don Blumenstein

Village Liaison: Marti Barton

Fountaindale Public Library District Liaison: Debra Dudak

Meeting called to order at 7:18 P.M.

Pledge of allegiance led by Chair Bill Kohl

Minutes Approval; Motion: Joe Noce, Second: Ron Ginocchio

Agenda Approval - Motion Pat Treadway, Second Jerry Wolak

There was a question as to where the November minutes were? They are located at [www.bolingbrook.com](http://www.bolingbrook.com) -> **Government** -> **Historic..** -> **Meetings**

All meeting Minutes and Agendas are posted. It is easy to review the minutes before our commission meeting, note concerns, and present them at the beginning of our next meeting.

Chair Person Report - Bill Kohl speaking:

- Lego Club and Garden Club continue to use the annex, they are great people to work with.
- The Bolingbrook Nature Center has wonderful maps, it is worth checking out.
- Story time at Library is 10 years old - a committee of Bill, Celia, Mike will begin planning the event, scheduled for 8/29.
- Big Thank You to Ron for doing the Christmas Decorations, the Museum was beautiful this year!
- Bill has joined local towns (Downers Grove and Lockport) historic organizations and suggest any council member who do the same may get their fee paid for from our fund.

Pat Smith Spoke about the 205th year celebration reported that she and Anthony, Joe and Interns continue to plan. More details to follow...

Pat Treadway spoke about:

- The nearly 4000 businesses cataloged in the history files.
- Mr Gary Ward of the Brunson-Sisson Cemetery which had approx 20 graves moved from Romeoville to Lockport will do a 45 minute presentation at a commission meeting, if asked more to come on this.

Deb Dudak spoke about:

- Genealogy club this Wednesday 1/15, "The Power of Petitions" all are welcome to join the presentation.
- Library started their, "Winter Reading Program". Read and get rewards from Dunkin Donuts and more ...

Deb Dudak continues

- Illinois State Historical Society is running 3 summer programs:
  - June is, "Presidential Memorabilia"
  - July is, "Turning Points in American History"
  - August is, "Female Patriots"
- Village of Bolingbrook should become an Illinois 250 Community by registering with the state and Bill Kohl will follow up with that.

Judy Bredeweg stated we had \$53.82 from book sales from 1/25-6/25 and warned of selling 250th items without being a, "Certified Community" speaking from her Bicentennial experience.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:22 by Ron Ginoccio and Second By Pat Treadway.