



The Village of • Glenview

Village of Glenview Historic Preservation Commission

Historic Landmark #1

Original Village Hall & Glenview Public Library at 1930 Prairie Street



In 1922, The Glenview Civic Association was formed to foster community spirit and raise money for community good works. The Association sponsored the Annual Glenview Days, which continues to this day. The profits from these events were accumulated until the Association had an amount sufficient to purchase land and construct a civic building for the Village.

Land for that purpose was purchased by the Association in June, 1923. It is the property on which the Glenview Civic Building at 1930 Prairie St and Jackman Park now stands. The park was originally landscaped by local nurserymen.

The building was designed by a Chicago Architect, Bert Charles Hubbard , and in March, 1928 was estimated to cost \$35,000. Shortly after a vote was taken by the Association to spend the money to build the building and turn it over to the Village.

The Glenview Civic Building was dedicated on September 7, 1929. It was used for Village offices, Village board meetings, the library, the library board meetings, a voting polling place, birthday, anniversary celebrations, Glenview Days, American Legion, Chamber of Commerce, Mason meetings; dances, movies and other village Celebrations.

At one time or another, almost every citizen of Glenview visited the building to get books, attend a meeting, or conduct business requiring the village office until 1979, when then Village government offices were moved to a new village hall.

In 1980, the Glenview Civic Building became the administrative headquarters for the Glenview Park District, who use it for that purpose today.

The building has a unique appearance, and has been variously described as being in the English Revival style with Tudor elements or Tudor Revival. Located across from the US Post Office, it is seen daily by a large number of people, even today.

The subject property was official designated on November 2, 2004 via Village of Glenview Ordinance No. 4700. A remodeling of the original historic building was approved on April 7, 2011 via Village of Glenview Ordinance No. 5437.