

Town of Newburgh
Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes February 8, 2018

Members Present:

Brent Grafe, David Wills, Randee Bugher, Steve Shoemaker, Troy Wells, Jim Renne

Advisory Members Present:

Sue Morrison

Administrative Present:

Chris Wischer, Town Attorney; Tavi Wydicks, Zoning Administrator; Stacie Krieger, Council Liaison

Members & Administrative Absent:

Jeff Cox

Citizens Present:

John Cobb

Reading, Correction and Approval of Previous Minutes:

Steve Shoemaker made a motion to accept the minutes.

David Willis seconded. No discussion. Motion was approved.

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

No Report.

Indiana Landmarks Southwest Field Office:

No Report.

Staff:

Tavi Wydicks stated that renovation work has started on the Exchange Hotel, but that she has not heard anything regarding plans for the building.

Certified Local Government:

No Report.

Unfinished Business:

COA Application – 11 State Street

Mr. Cobb presented his plan to the Commission. Mr. Cobb stated that he has changed the design of the windows from the original application and the windows will now look exactly like what is on the building to include the existing dental work, will not be functional, and the only change will be that the frame on the inside of the window will be aluminum because it is more cost effective. Tavi Wydicks asked Mr. Cobb is the windows would include the existing operating awning, and he stated the awning will not be operable. Mr. Cobb presented a sketch of the proposed door to the Commission. Mr. Cobb stated that they would like to modernize the door a little bit. Mr. Cobb stated that they are looking at doing a mahogany front door with glass insets and the plan is to match the existing dormers. Mr. Cobb stated that he is looking at a white wash for the door. The Commission discussed the rendering of the proposed door and discussed tabling this portion of the application until a complete rendering is available, but decided to move forward with the motion.

David Wills moved to approve the COA application for the replacement windows. Steve Shoemaker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Troy Wells moved to approve the COA application for the replacement door. David Wills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion - Historic Homes Under Code Enforcement Inspection

No report.

New Business:

Election of Officers

Steve Shoemaker moved to re-elect Jeff Cox as President and Jim Renne as Vice President of the Commission. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion – Grant Public Information Meeting

Tavi Wydicks stated that this discussion will be postponed until the March meeting when Jeff Cox and Helen Zimmerman are present.

Discussion – Historic Preservation Conference Participation

Jim Renne stated that this is the Indiana Landmarks Historic Preservation Conference that will be held in Columbus this year, April 17 – 20. Mr. Renne stated that the Commission has been offered the chance to head a round table discussion regarding methods of disseminating Historic Preservation Commission information to citizens. Mr. Renne stated his thought was that Tavi Wydicks would be the best representative, and Ms. Wydicks agreed to attend. Ms. Wydicks stated that the Town should receive two scholarships to cover the cost of the conference and hotel. Mr. Renne stated that he will be attending the conference as well.

Announcements:

Steve Shoemaker stated that he reached out to some individuals and businesses regarding grant opportunities for historic preservation and discussed the information with the Commission.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

None

Adjourn:

Jim Renne made a motion to adjourn.
Steve Shoemaker seconded and the motion carried.

Next Meeting will be March 8, 2018 at 5:45 pm.



Chair



Recorder