

Town of Newburgh  
Historic Preservation Commission  
Minutes March 8, 2018

**Members Present:**

Brent Grafe, Randee Bugher, Steve Shoemaker, Jim Renne

**Advisory Members Present:**

Stewart Sebree

**Administrative Present:**

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

**Members & Administrative Absent:**

Jeff Cox, David Wills, Troy Wells, Sue Morrison

**Citizens Present:**

Helen Zimmerman - HNI

**Reading, Correction and Approval of Previous Minutes:**

Steve Shoemaker made a motion to accept the minutes.

Randee Bugher seconded. No discussion. Motion was approved.

**REPORTS:**

**Town Council Liaison:**

No Report.

**Indiana Landmarks Southwest Field Office:**

No Report.

**Staff Report and Code Enforcement Update:**

Tavi Wydicks stated that she has issued three COA's since the last meeting. Ms. Wydicks stated that she has read through all of the inspection reports and has sent corrections over to Engineering. Ms. Wydicks stated that she is hoping to move forward with meeting with the property owners soon.

**Certified Local Government:**

No Report.

**Unfinished Business:**

*None*

**New Business:**

*Discussion – Grant Public Information Meeting*

Tavi Wydicks stated that this discussion will be postponed until the April meeting when Jeff Cox is present. Randee Bugher stated that Indianapolis is buying dilapidated properties and restoring them and leasing them to local teachers, and that she does not have a lot of details at this time but will explore this further. Stacie Krieger stated that there is a group of individuals in the Town of Newburgh that would love to buy dilapidated houses in the Town and restore them and sell them to single families. Steve Shoemaker stated that this is similar to what he has looked into recently, and what he has found is that these types of programs start with an individual or company that is willing to invest the funds to start the program. Chris Wischer suggested that the Commission look into what other communities are doing and try to follow some of their ideas.

*Discussion – Historic Preservation Party*

Helen Zimmerman stated that HNI received a request from the Women's Club to host the Historic Preservation Party at the Red Brick House and do a dedication and place the Women's Club green historic marker. The Commission agreed on this location for the party and the placement of the green historic marker, and asked Tavi Wydicks to reserve one of the Lockmaster Cottages or the Lock and Dam building as a backup location in case of rain. The Commission decided that they would also like to place the Town's historic plaque on the building and asked Ms. Wydicks to order one. The Commission discussed potential award recipients, and decided that the Red Brick Building and those involved in the work to make the move happen would be the only award recipient for 2018.

*Discussion – Historic Preservation Conference Participation*

Tavi Wydicks stated that Jim Renne, Chris Wischer, and herself were awarded scholarships to cover the cost of the conference and that the three of them would be attending.

**Announcements:**

None

**Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:**

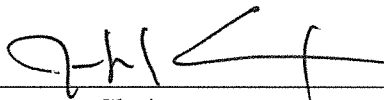
None

**Adjourn:**

Steve Shoemaker made a motion to adjourn.

Jim Renne seconded and the motion carried.

Next Meeting will be April 12, 2018 at 5:45 pm.



Chair



4/12/18

Recorder