

Town of Newburgh
Historic Preservation Commission
March 10, 2022

Members Present:

Jim Renne, Stacie Krieger, Jeff Cox, Brent Grafe, Troy Wells, Heather Cutrell

Advisory Members Present:

Sue Morrison

Administrative Present:

Stacie Krieger, Town Council Liaison; Chris Wischer, Town Attorney; Kelley Gustafson, Civil Town Assistant

Members & Administrative Absent:

David Wills; Tavi Wydicks, Zoning Administrator

Citizens Present:

Robert & Ellan Brown, 4 Sycamore Street

Reading, Correction, and Approval of Previous Minutes:

Jeff Cox moved to approve the previous meeting minutes. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

Stacie Krieger stated that Town Council met last night, and there is nothing to report.

Indiana Landmarks Southwest Field Office:

Jim Renne stated that the new Southwest Field Representative is a temporary position and he will meet with them soon.

Staff Report and Code Enforcement Update:

Kelley Gustafson provided the Commission with an update for houses under code enforcement.

Newburgh Neighbor Committee:

Kelley Gustafson provided the commission with an update regarding a fundraising sub-committee working on two big fundraisers to take place in 2022.

Certified Local Government:

No Report.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion – District Expansion

This item will remain on hold.

Discussion – 221 State Street Garage

This item will remain on hold.

COA Application – 220 W. Jennings Street

Kelley Gustafson informed the commission that the applicant is still trying to find available and cost-effective materials and they are not ready to move forward at this time.

New Business:

COA Application – 100 State Street

The Commission discussed the COA application. Jim Renne stated that the color is not important, just the material. Troy Wells and Jim Renne stated that they have no objection to fiberglass, and Mr. Renne stated that it is a better product. Jeff Cox stated that he is comfortable approving the Kight door as pictured in the report. Jeff Cox moved to approve the COA application. Brent Grafe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

COA Application – 100 State Street

Bob Brown stated that he submitted a picture of a screened porch that is similar to the look of the final product. Mr. Brown stated that he would like to add a concrete footing and screened porch to the west side of the home. Jim Renne asked if the photo submitted was something that exists somewhere in Town, and Mr. Brown stated that the picture is one he found on Pinterest. Mr. Renne stated that he looked up the property on Google Earth and it appears the porch will block the property behind it. Mr. Brown stated that it will not block the property, that if you are standing at the bottom of the brick wall, it will line up. Mr. Brown stated that they were very intentional about that, part of the reason they didn't want to add a gable to the porch. Mr. Brown stated that they even discussed that if it blocked their view, they wouldn't even consider it. Mr. Brown stated that he would like a patio regardless of the screened portion being approved or not. Mr. Brown stated that before he begins the project, he would run the line to make sure it is no higher than the brick ledge of the porch. Mr. Renne stated that the house has no historic rating and asked if there was any discussion from the Commission. No discussion. Mr. Renne recommended a provisional approval pending receipt of the drawings that show dimensions. Mr. Renne stated that he is not comfortable with a photo that looks like it is out of a magazine, and he thinks the Commission needs a drawing to review, and that Mr. Brown would need the drawing anyway in order to build it. Mr. Renne stated that his suggestion is for the Commission to approve the COA pending receipt of an accurate drawing that shows dimensions compared to the wall behind it. Mr. Renne stated that he thinks the Commission needs a little bit more than just a photo of something, and that the Commission needs to do their due diligence. Jim Renne stated that he would entertain a motion that includes a drawing be submitted prior to final approval.

Jeff Cox moved to approve the COA application with the stipulation that a drawing of the screened in porch be provided to the Commission. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris Wischer stated the Mr. Brown can submit the drawing to the Town and it can be emailed out to the commission.

COA Application – 526 Water Street

The Commission discussed the COA application. Troy Wells stated that the previous owners did not replace the roof properly. The Commission discussed the contributing rating of the historic property and determined a metal roof is appropriate as a replacement material.

Jeff Cox moved to approve the COA application. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

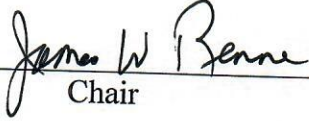
Sue Morrison stated that she has an ongoing issue with the dentil molding on the old Bank building. Mrs. Morrison stated that she has spoken with Stacie Krieger and the Cobbs stated they would preserve the dentil molding. The Commission will review the minutes and drawings related to the COA application to determine if the COA was followed.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

None.

Adjourn:

Heather Cutrell moved to adjourn the meeting. Brent Grafe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.


Chair


Recorder