

Town of Newburgh
Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes May 14, 2020

Members Present:

Jeff Cox, Jim Renne, Brent Grafe, Heather Cutrell, David Wills, Troy Wells

Advisory Members Present:

Sue Morrison, Candice Croix

Administrative Present:

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

Members & Administrative Absent:

Citizens Present:

Leslie Angermeier, 312 W. Main Street

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

Stacie Krieger stated that the Town submitted an OCRA grant for up to \$200,000.00 to help small businesses and the grant was awarded. Ms. Krieger explained the requirements of the grant and stated that it will open for applications on Friday.

Jim Renne asked if the Preservation Hall contract was approved by Council and Ms. Krieger answered yes.

Indiana Landmarks Southwest Field Office:

No report.

Certified Local Government:

Tavi Wydicks stated that she submitted the 2019 CLG audit to the State and is waiting for the results.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion – District Expansion

Tavi Wydicks stated that this item is on hold due to teleconference meetings.

Discussion – 221 State Street Garage

The Commission agreed to hold this item until the June meeting.

New Business:

COA Application – 312 W. Main Street

Tavi Wydicks stated that the application is to replace the existing wood decking on the primary structure and guest house with composite decking due to deterioration. Jim Renne stated that composite decking is a largely accepted material in historic districts.

Jeff Cox moved to approved the COA with use of materials presented. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Jeff Cox – Yes	Jim Renne – Yes
Brent Grafe – Yes	Heather Cutrell – Yes
David Wills – Yes	Troy Wells - Yes

COA Application – 415 Sycamore Street

Tavi Wydicks stated that she did not hear back from the petitioner regarding the meeting and more information is needed for the request, so the Commission would not be moving forward with this COA application at this time.

COA Application – The Landing

Tavi Wydicks stated that the owner decided to apply for a sign without illumination so she was able to staff issue the COA because the newly proposed sign was within guidelines, so there is no longer a need for the Commission to review the COA.

COA Application – Flutter

Tavi Wydicks stated that the request is for a mural on the west side of the Flutter building and presented a photo of the proposed mural to the Commission. Jeff Cox stated that the Commission approved the mural on the House of White building and this is less intrusive. Troy Wells stated that these types of murals are on trend in a lot of communities.

Troy Wells moved to approved the COA with use of materials presented. Jeff Cox seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

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| Jeff Cox – Yes | Jim Renne – Yes |
| Brent Grafe – Yes | Heather Cutrell – Yes |
| David Wills – Yes | Troy Wells - Yes |

COA Application – 6 Sycamore Street

Tavi Wydicks stated that the request is to replace the two wood and two metal existing columns with fiberglass columns due to two of the four columns being damaged in the tornado. Jim Renne referenced and discussed the article he provided to the Commission that states fiberglass is an appropriate material in other historic districts. Jeff Cox who is the owner of the property stated that two of the columns were damaged in the tornado and wood is more expensive and harder to maintain than fiberglass is. Mr. Cox stated that there will be no change to the look, just the material.

Troy Wells moved to approved the COA with use of materials presented. David Wills seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

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| Jeff Cox – Abstained | Jim Renne – Yes |
| Brent Grafe – Yes | Heather Cutrell – Yes |
| David Wills – Yes | Troy Wells - Yes |

Announcements:

Jim Renne stated that a log cabin expert is coming out to look at the log cabin at the Lock and Dam Park soon.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

Adjourn:

Jim Renne adjourned the meeting.


Chair


Recorder