Town of Newburgh Historic Preservation Commission Minutes April 17, 2019

Members Present:

Troy Wells, Steve Shoemaker, Jim Renne, Brent Grafe

Advisory Members Present:

Administrative Present:

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

Members & Administrative Absent:

Jeff Cox, Jim Lang, David Wills, Sue Morrison, Stewart Sebree

Citizens Present:

Jeremy and Beth Martin, 3 W. Jennings

Reading, Correction and Approval of Previous Minutes:

Brent Grafe made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Troy Wells 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 provided the Commission with an update of the Historic Homes under code enforcement. Ms. Wydicks stated that she has not added any properties to the list at this time, but plans to have additional properties to discuss by the next meeting.

Certified Local Government:

No Report.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

COA Application – 3 W. Jennings Street

Tavi Wydicks stated that the Commission previously approved a COA for the addition of windows on the back side (water side) of the building, and the owners would like to change the proposed design and remove two sections of windows from the original design and replace them with French doors. Beth Martin presented a new site plan to the Commission and the Commission discussed the site plan with Mr. and Mrs. Martin. Mrs. Martin stated that instead of four windows across the back of the main building, they would like to replace two sets of windows with 2 sets of French doors. Mrs. Martin stated that the long term plan is to add balconies so tenants can enjoy the river view, but for now, they are just requesting approval for the doors so the contractors can cut the correct openings. Stacie Krieger voiced safety concerns due to there being doors with no balconies and Mr. and Mrs. Martin stated that there will be safety measures installed on the outside of the building.

Troy Wells moved to approve the COA application. Brent Grafe seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Discussion – Grant Program

Jim Renne stated that the grant program received grant funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Old National Bank Grant Foundation. Tavi Wydicks stated that she is planning a meeting for the grant committee so they final parameters can be decided. Ms. Krieger stated that there will be a presentation of the grant at the Preservation Party May 9th.

Discussion – Preservation Party

Tavi Wydicks stated that the Preservation Party will be May 9th at 5:30 at Preservation Hall and John and Stacie Cobb will be recognized for their work on the old bank building. Ms. Wydicks stated that she reviewed past COA's and the only residential properties that would be eligible for the residential award have not completed their renovations. The Commission discussed residential properties and determined they would only be giving a commercial award this year.

Announcements:

Jim Renne stated that he attended the full Preserving Historic Place Conference and discussed one of the sessions he attended.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

None

Adjourn:

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

Chair

Recorder