

Town of Newburgh
Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes July 13, 2017

Members Present:

Jim Renne, Steven Shoemaker, Jeff Cox, Troy Wells, Brent Grafe

Administrative Present:

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

Advisory Present:

Sue Morrison, Stewart Sebree

Members & Administrative Absent:

David Wills

Citizens Present:

None

Reading, Correction and Approval of Previous Minutes:

Steve Shoemaker made a motion to accept the minutes. Troy Wells seconded. No discussion. Motion was approved.

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

Stacie Krieger stated that Ben Nejad came to last night's Council meeting with concern for the condition of 16 W. Jennings Street.

Staff:

Tavi Wydicks stated that she has issued five (1) COA since the last meeting, and it was for the HPC approved COA for 125 W. Jennings Street. Ms. Wydicks stated that Ms. Ellsworth, 125 W. Jennings, is looking at adding a breezeway to connect the garage to the house, and will be submitting new plans that will come back to HPC at the August meeting.

Certified Local Government:

No Report

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Discussion – Follow Up on Historic Homes to Monitor

Tavi Wydicks stated that she was only able to set up an inspection for one of the properties on the list, but did speak to three other property owners on the phone. Ms. Wydicks provided an update on the homes. The commission asked Chris Wischer what their options were moving forward. Mr. Wischer stated that code enforcement should proceed as planned, and after the inspections are completed by Ms. Wydicks and Town Engineer David Hynes, Ms. Wydicks should return to HPC with full reports and HPC can then decide to move forward under the Demolition by Neglect Ordinance. The commission discussed the homes and options for moving forward. The commission decided to remove four of the homes and just keep an eye on them for additional deterioration at this time. There are four homes the commission asked Ms. Wydicks to set up inspections for. Ms. Wydicks stated that she would send letters reaching out to the property owners of those four homes and get inspections scheduled. Ms. Wydicks stated that she will report back at the next meeting.

Announcements:

None

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:

None

Adjourn:

Troy Wells made a motion to adjourn.

Steve Shoemaker seconded and the motion carried.

Next Meeting will be August 10, 2017 at 5:45 p.m.


Chair


Recorder