

SYKESVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF STATED MEETING

November 28, 2006

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Jonathan Caplan, Chair
Pat Greenwald, Vice Chair
Adam Hall
Paul Esposito, Jr
Pam Graham

ABSENT:

Russ Vreeland, Council Liaison

GUESTS:

Gretchen Mobberley, Applicant, Business Owner
Andrea Orndorff, Applicant, Business Owner
Fred Gossage, Business Owner
Matthew Candland, Town Manager

The regular meeting called to order by Chair Jonathan Caplan at 7:00 p.m. in the Sykesville Town House conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

06-24 Gretchen Mobberley 7550 Main Street Utility(BGE) relocate

Ms. Mobberley was in attendance to explain her application. Some discussion on existing location of utilities. One person owned the building in previous years, now the building is owned by several persons. This causes safety issues. If the electric needs to be cut off during a fire it is confusing which building should be terminated. Paul Esposito made motion that this application be approved as submitted. Adam Hall seconded motion. All were in favor.

06-25 Andrea Orndorff 7520 Main Street (104) Signage

Ms. Orndorff was in attendance to explain application. Some discussion regarding size and color. Concern of commission is that recommendation is not to use vinyl. Applicant stated that she has seen many businesses with the vinyl and she looked into the gold leaf design and could not find anyone to do that type of work. Pam Graham motioned that application be accepted as submitted. Adam Hall seconded motion. All were in favor.

06-23 Bruce Greenberg 7543 Main Street Front Door

Mr. Greenberg was not in attendance to explain or answer questions concerning application. Matthew Candland did speak with Bruce Greenberg the week prior and they talked about Mr. Greenberg's options. We have not heard anything from Mr. Greenberg in reference to his application. Commission decided to table this application to the next meeting and suggested that we get Mr. Greenberg to get someone to represent him if he cannot attend the next meeting.

REVIEW OF TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS

No applications submitted for approval

WARFIELD PROJECT UPDATE

Progressing according to schedule

SHDC MINUTES

Minutes of October 24, 2006 were accepted as part of public record.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Town Budget Accounts

No reports for record

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Gate House:

Historic House Tour is scheduled for Sunday December 3, 2006. All is going according to plans. Newest exhibit will be complete by 12/3/06. She invited all to come out and visit the Gate House.

School House:

Tours are starting to schedule. But she is still a little disappointed. She is hoping that by this time next year things will be picking up some. The Schoolhouse will be on the Historic House Tour. The Schoolhouse is decorated and ready.

BUSINESS

1. **Review of Historic District Guidelines:**
 - Landscaping:** nothing new to report
 - Demolition By Neglect:** nothing new to report
2. **Certified Local Government:** nothing new to report.
3. **Continuing/Community Education:** nothing new to report

OLD BUSINESS-

- Fred Gossage was in attendance to get the Commission's guidance on the type of garage door that was approved for his building at 7552 Main Street.
- Ian Shaw application was discussed, prints were looked at and the commission would like to see type of garage doors and metal hand railing he will be using before that part of work is started. Lorie Sanders will send his approval letter stating this information.

NEW BUSINESS-

- December meeting---Paul Esposito made a motion that the 12/26/2006 meeting be cancelled and all business be carried over to the January 2007 meeting.
- Commission member recommendation—Closed Session. Paul Esposito made motion to close session at 7:45 P.M. to discuss matters according to State Government Article 10-508(a) 1i. Esposito made motion to reopen session at 8:30 P.M. Motion was seconded by Adam Hall. All were in favor.

Adjourn Session: There being no further business, Paul Esposito made a **Motion** to adjourn. The **Motion** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorie A. Sanders, Recording Secretary