

SYKESVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF STATED MEETING
February 27, 2007

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: Jonathan Caplan, Chair
Pat Greenwald, Vice Chair
Paul Mason
Russ Vreeland

ABSENT: Adam Hall
Paul Esposito, Jr.
Pam Graham

GUESTS: Patrick Boline, Applicant
John Baier, Applicant

The regular meeting called to order by Chair Caplan at 7:05 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Sykesville Town House. The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

07-02 Patrick Boline 7621 Mellor Avenue Deck

Mr. Boline was in attendance to explain this application. There was some discussion concerning height of deck. Paul Mason made a motion that the application be approved as submitted. Pat Greenwald seconded. All in favor.

07-01 John Baier 706 Church Street attic windows

Mr. Baier was in attendance to explain application. Commission discussed process for application approval with Mr. Baier. Some discussion about where Mr. Baier purchased the windows. More discussion about original window replacement and where to purchase replacement windows for historic homes. He had stated that he purchased them from Home Depot. Commission made Mr. Baier aware that his house was a B ranked property and that the integrity of the house was more important then possibly some of the other houses in the town that were c, d, or e ranked. Discussion about style of windows and the fact that the windows are visible from the right of way. Mr. Baier was also made aware that there are some tax credits and grants available to him from the state and local level to defer some of the cost. Mr. Baier stated that he was trying to make his home more energy efficient and couldn't understand how we could tell him what he could and couldn't do to his house. Pat Greenwald asked if he was aware that he was in the historic district and he stated that he did know. After more discussion about the fact that he needed to come before the commission for approval before he did anything to the exterior of his house, Paul Mason made a motion not to approve this application as submitted. Pat Greenwald seconded motion. All were in favor. Commission agreed to give Mr. Baier 90 days to present his alternatives to them.

REVIEW OF TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS

No applications submitted for approval

WARFIELD PROJECT UPDATE

Nothing new to report

SHDC MINUTES

Minutes of January 27, 2007 were accepted as part of public record as submitted

FINANCIAL REPORTS

TOWN BUDGET ACCOUNTS

No financial reports available

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Gate House:

Kari gave an update on her trip to the Small Museum Conference in Ocean City, Maryland. Her registration fee was waived because she is on the committee. There was a water pipe that burst in the Gate House and she thinks she finally found a plumber that fixed the problem. Kari also congratulated Pat Greenwald regarding her Person of the year award.

School House:

There have been several tours in the schoolhouse and she thinks that she is going to be able to meet expenses this month. Calls continue to come in about tours, etc. She continues to look for avenues to bring in some monies. She is hoping that some of the County schools will start using it as one of their field trips.

BUSINESS

1. **Review of Historic District Guidelines:**
2. **Certified Local Government:** Nothing new to report.
3. **Continuing/Community Education:** Nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS-

- Preservation conference reminder
- Fred Gossage- Lorie listened to the minutes of the July 18' 2006 meeting and Fred was approved for all the changes that he brought to the table. Arches on windows were approved.

NEW BUSINESS- none was discussed

Adjourn Session: There being no further business, Mr. Mason made a **Motion** to adjourn. The **Motion** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorie A. Sanders, Recording Secretary