

SYKESVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF STATED MEETING

March 26, 2008

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT:

Jonathan Caplan, Chair
Pat Greenwald, Vice Chair
Paul Mason
Jeannie Nichols, Council Liaison
Pam Graham

ABSENT:

Adam Hall

GUESTS:

Victor Carey, Agent for Applicant Ralph Rogers, 08-07
Brad Dyjak, Intern to Sykesville

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

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:

08-06 Chris Bull 7503 Main Street tree removal and pruning

This application was on the agenda again this meeting so that the commission could discuss the decision that was made by Town Manager, Certified Arborist, Matthew Candland. Mr. Candland made a site visit and determined that, in light of (1) the species (Silver Maple) and its associated inherit problems, (2) its documented conflict with existing water/sewer lines, (3) its history of improper pruning and its resultant poor branch structure, (4) the proximity of several targets, and (5) its age, he would not be opposed to its removal. In accordance with the motion made at the last meeting the applicants can remove the tree at this time.

08-07 Ralph Rogers 7430 Spout Hill Road enlarge existing porch

Victor Carey was in attendance to explain this application. There was some discussion concerning this application. After studying the application and all other relevant documentation and presentations related to this case and being familiar with the property in question, Commission member Paul Mason moved to approve, with the following conditions, this application;

- that stone veneer on foundation of porch be omitted in favor of parging
- shutters added are to match existing shutters

Commission member Pat Greenwald seconded the motion and all were in favor.

REVIEW OF TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS

No applications submitted for approval

WARFIELD PROJECT UPDATE

No significant changes have taken place in the last month.

SHDC MINUTES

Minutes of February 26, 2008 minutes were accepted to public record as submitted.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

TOWN BUDGET ACCOUNTS

Financial reports were submitted

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Gate House: No Report this month

School House: Pat Greenwald gave a brief update. She is looking forward to the East Side West Side presentation in April. The Community Media Center is going to tape a short segment to be shown on Carroll County Channel 23.

BUSINESS

Continuing/Community Education: nothing to report

Old Business: Report from MAHDC, Susan West Montgomery

There was some discussion regarding this agenda item, comments and suggestions from commission members will be incorporated into minutes, application and meeting structure.

Historic Preservation Conference, May 29–30, 2008. This was stated as a reminder.

New Business: none to discuss

Adjourn Session: There being no further business, **Motion** was made to adjourn. The **Motion** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorie A. Sanders, Recording Secretary