

SYKESVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF STATED MEETING

April 28, 2009

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT:

Pat Greenwald, Chairperson
Wes Westcott
Jim Matthews
Jeannie Nichols, Council Liaison
Chad Bederka

ABSENT:

Pam Graham – Vice Chairperson
Paul Mason

GUESTS:

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

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:

#09-06 Warfield Development Corporation Business Sign
Janice Perrault presented the sign application. It was explained that this sign would be a prototype for future signs at the campus. Motion was made to approve the sign as presented with a condition that the brick will match the building. Also the approval is for the two current occupants only. Any future signs will need to get approval from the commission. Motion to accept application with provisions. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-07 7540 Main Street Girl Zone Business Sign
Vince Poist presented the sign application. It was explained the sign would be 36" X 18" hanging by an ornamental iron bracket that will not tarnish. Motion to accept application as submitted. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-08 7546 Main Street Sly Fox Business Sign

Vince Poist presented the sign application. It was explained the sign would be 36" X 30" hanging by an ornamental iron bracket that will not tarnish. In addition there will also be gold leaf style lettering and color logo on the window. Motion to accept application as submitted. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-09 7608 Main Street Contrary Mary Business Sign

Vince Poist presented the sign application. It was explained the sign would be 36" X 18" hanging by an ornamental iron bracket that will not tarnish. Motion to accept application as submitted. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-10 7606 Main Street Samsara Business Sign

Vince Poist presented the sign application. It was explained the sign would be 36" X 18" hanging by an ornamental iron bracket that will not tarnish. Motion to accept application as submitted. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-11 7571 Main Street E.W. Beck's Windows

Janice Perrault presented the application as submitted and explained that the owner is replacing vinyl windows with vinyl windows. Motion to accept application as submitted. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-12 Springfield Ave/ Cedar Ave Tree Trimming and Removal

Janice Perrault presented the application as submitted and explained the Town stopped work and requested the contractor file an application with the Historic District. It was explained that several trees have been removed at 7407 and 7411 Springfield Rd and they plan on trimming and removing more trees at 7313 Springfield Rd, 6999 Cedar Ave., and 7401 Cedar Ave. The trimming and removal is for BGE since the trees are a hazard to the electrical wirers. Motion was seconded with a condition that Matthew Candland, Town Manager visit 7313 Springfield, 6999 Cedar and 7401 Cedar to see if the trees marked for removal are a potential impairment to the power lines. In addition Mercier's need to clean up the yards they drove on and not to drive on any future lawns. The Commission is also requesting that BGE fill in holes left from removing old poles. Motion to accept application with provisions. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

#09-13 7550 Main Street SK Printing Business Sign

Janice Perrault presented the application as submitted. The application outlined the business sign will be 30" X 18" and 8' high. Based on lack of enough information, the Commission postponed until the next meeting. They would like to know the durability of the sign, if powdered coated and if the height could be changed. All in favor.

REVIEW OF TAX CREDIT APPLICATIONS:

No applications submitted for approval

SHDC MINUTES:

Minutes of March 24, 2008 minutes were accepted as submitted with the correction that Wes Westcott was not present.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: - none

TOWN BUDGET ACCOUNTS:

No financial reports were submitted

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Gate House:

No Report this month

School House:

Pat Greenwald announced that there were 47 High School seniors that came to the School House, as they are interested in American History.

Graduate students will be restoring the rain garden that was overly mulched last year.

The Job Corps will be building a retaining wall, which will be 3 levels and will have native plants.

Warfield Development:

Jeannie Nichols reported that there is a prospect that is interested in the corner lot. Once information is available the Commission will be informed.

BUSINESS:

Continuing/Community Education: nothing to report

Old Business: nothing to report

New Business:

- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M. since the Mayor and Town Council will meet on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 due to the holiday.
- The Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions visited the Sykesville Historic District Commission last year and provided the Commission with some feedback on structure of the meeting. Handouts from the Maryland Association were handed out with a request that the Commission review the documents for discussion at the next meeting.

- The Commission discussed the Maryland's Annual Preservation & Revitalization Conference which will be held on May 28th and 29th. Pat Greenwald will attend on the 29th, Wes Westcott will attend on the 28th and Chad Bederka will let me know.

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Motion** was made to adjourn. The **Motion** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Perrault, Recording Secretary