MANISTEE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

NOTES OF MAY 1, 2008

The City of Manistee Historic District Commission met in a worksession following their regularly scheduled meeting on May 1, 2008 in the Council Chambers, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Members Present: Dave Carlson, Maria DeRee, T. Eftaxiadis, Teena Kracht, Kelly Niles, John

Perschbacher and Mallory Barkholz (Youth Observer)

Members Absent: Dennis terHorst

Others Present: Steve Harold (Manistee County Historical Museum), and Denise Blakeslee

(Planning & Zoning)

Worksession began at 4: 52 p.m.

WORKSESSION ITEMS

Review draft Front Facade/Storefront Guidelines

Discussed adding to the opening statement of all our guidelines a line that reads:

"The Historic District Commission uses the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation as interpreted by the Preservation Briefs. Copies are available on line, at the Manistee County Historical Museum and in the Planning & Zoning Department at City Hall."

With minor typographical changes the Guidelines are ready for review at the June Meeting.

Guidelines for In-Fill construction need to be developed that include a standard about replication of Victorian Sympathetic Buildings.

Misc.

Chair Kracht handed out copies of a proposed Policy on recognizing Storefronts. Commission reviewed and changes were discussed to be included in a draft for review at the June Meeting.

Commission discussed if additional meeting were necessary to assist with Signage requests. Discussed if a sub-committee should be established that could review and approve signage that meets the requirements of the Guidelines. Prior to the establishment of the Historic District Commission signage was approved by Steve Harold.

A Workession is scheduled for May 8, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss options and if the Commission would like to on an interim basis establish a sub-committee for Signage that includes alternates.

Commissioner Perschbacher noted that May is National Historic Preservation Month and that the museum has a display in their window relating to the event.

ADJOURN

The Worksession adjourned at approximately 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Janica I Blakeslee Recording Secretary