

# MANISTEE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

NOTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2009

The City of Manistee Historic District Commission met in a worksession Friday, November 13, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Executive Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Members Present: Dave Carlson, Teena Kracht, Mary Murton, John Perschbacher

Members Absent: T. Eftaxiadis (excused), Maria DeRee (excused) Nathaniel Neider (excused),

Others Present: Travis Alden (DDA/Main Street Director), John Smith (435 River Street), Steve Harold (Manistee County Historical Museum), Jon Rose (Community Development Director), and Denise Blakeslee

Worksession began at 1:00 p.m.

## WORKSESSION ITEMS

John Smith, 369 River Street - Oak Street Facade

Travis Alden, DDA/Main Street Director spoke to the Commission about a drawing that was prepared by the Design Committee to address the opening between Mr. Smith's Building and the Hallmark Store. The Committee reviewed the proposed drawing and liked how it looked.

Mr. Smith entered the Worksession and reviewed the plan and liked it.

Mr. Smith spoke to the Commission about proposed renovations to his building. Including:

- ▶ Demolition of the Ice House
- ▶ Rear of Building Improvements (Water Street) - Window replacement, door replacement,
- ▶ Repair to brick/mortar and the detailed elements on the top of the building (metal caps).
- ▶ Front facade updates - Front Window Replacment
- ▶ Interior improvements - refinishing oak floors.

Asked for assistance with projects. He is willing to spend some money and would like to review possible grants/assistance for the projects.

Travis Alden spoke of some of the funding that is available and will meet with Mr. Smith next week to discuss options and possible design assistance.

The Committee asked Mr. Smith to put felt over the Oak Street entrance as a temporary fix to get through the winter while plans/funding is looked into.

## Demolition Procedures for Contributing Buildings

Commission would like to discuss options with the State. Travis Alden, Denise Blakeslee and Chair Kracht will try to schedule a conference call with Robb McKay and report back to the Commission.

## Closing out Permits

This will be added to the Agenda for the Commission to take action on issuing Certificates of Compliance. Steve Harold will authorize Certificates of Compliance for items that he reviews.

## Notes

Notes will be prepared to be sent to the property owners who did work in the district this past year.

## ADJOURN

The Worksession adjourned at approximately 2:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary