

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Council Chambers, City Hall
70 Maple Street
Manistee, MI 49660

MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2013

A Meeting of the Manistee City Historic District Commission was held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Meeting was called to order at 3:12 p.m. by Chair Kracht.

ROLL CALL:

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

Members Absent: Maria DeRee, T. Eftaxiadis, Jeremy Loveless,

Others: Jon Rose (Community Development), Mark Fedder (Manistee County Historical Museum), Steve Harold (Manistee County Historical Museum), and Denise Blakeslee (Planning & Zoning)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Mary Russell that the Agenda be approved as prepared.

With a voice vote this motion approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Mary Russell that the Minutes of the June 6, 2013 Meeting be approved as printed.

With a voice vote this motion approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve Harold – had to leave the meeting early and spoke to the Commission about the new Historic District on Mackinaw Island, the demolition of Historic Buildings on the island, the request to install

amenities that are not appropriate, and that they have hired an attorney who will be attending each meeting. This is a very controversial issue and he will continue to update the Commission as time moves forward.

Mr. Harold left the meeting.

Projects and Changes

Denise Blakeslee – Informed Commissioners that Jon Rose will be retiring as of July 31, 2013. Staff gave a report at the July 9th Council Worksession for the Certified Local Government Program. It will be on the July 16th Council Agenda for action. She took photos of Mike Cnudde’s building and they discussed the status of the permit. Discussed the need to do a walkthrough of the district and close out permits and take photos of the Building. Weather permitting and if the agenda is not too full it will be scheduled for the August meeting. She will contact Mr. Matthews to see if a site visit can be scheduled late summer early fall to go through his building.

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Members of the Commission were given a copy of an email from Travis Alden (attached)

STAFF REPORTS

Mark Fedder, Museum Director - Approved the following permits:

Briny Inn, 50 Filer Street – Paint Colors *issued permit #PHDC13-014*

Ed Reed, 365 River Street – change in paint colors *previously issued permit #PHDC-12-019*

Quarterstone Holdings LLC, 75 Oak Street – Awning *issued permit #PHDC13-015*

Quarterstone Holdings LLC, 75 Oak Street – Routine Repair & Maintenance (Light fixtures & Door) *issued permit #PHDC13-016*

Quarterstone Holdings LLC, 75 Oak Street – Paint Colors *issued permit #PHDC13-017*

JSA Maple Street LLC, 81 Maple Street – Routine Repair & Maintenance (Repoint Brick & Terra Cotta) *issued permit #PHDC13-018*

Manistee Historical Society, 425 River Street – Routine Repair & Maintenance and Paint colors (replace

portion of rotted wood on lower left framing of west window – paint to match existing color) *issued permit #PHDC13-019*

Joe Mathewson, 339 River Street – Routine Repair & Maintenance (replace framing around second story windows with oak frame to match oak woodwork on first floor – varnish to match) *issued Permit #PHDC13-020- Mark Fedder received a call from Mr. Mathewson said he will not proceed with this project – PERMIT CLOSED*

Joe Mathewson, 339 River Street – Paint colors (minor trim DMS Sherman – Regatta Blue – highlight both ends of imprints on Cornice) *issued permit #PHDC13-021*

Mr. Fedder spoke with Jim Matthews and he has asked about replacing bricks that are missing on the wall and for a boarded up section of the building, he was told he needs to come back to the Commission for approval. Also the Commission discussed if the siding needed to be painted as specified in the permit, they said they did not feel it would be required, but will wait for the site visit.

Jon Rose entered the meeting.

Jon Rose, Community Development Director – thanked the Commission and said that he has enjoyed working with them over the years.

MEMBERS DISCUSSION

Dave Carlson – spoke of the need to inform realtors about the HDC.

The Next meeting of the Historic District Commission will be on Thursday, August 1, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Mary Russell, seconded by John Perschbacher that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:52 P.M.

MANISTEE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary

Denise Blakeslee

From: Travis Alden <tbalden@manisteedowntown.com>
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2013 6:33 PM
To: Denise Blakeslee
Subject: Fwd: Mike Cnudde building

See below from Kelly.

Sent from Travis Alden's mobile device.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Larson, Kelly (MSHDA)" <Larsonk@michigan.gov>
Date: June 10, 2013, 6:24:14 PM EDT
To: Travis Alden <tbalden@manisteedowntown.com>
Subject: RE: Mike Cnudde building

Hi Travis. Yes, there isn't really a low risk solution to removing the ceramic tile adhesive from the brick in a way that won't potentially cause damage. Time may be what is needed in order to let it come loose naturally.

Although not ideal, I think just having it painted the same color of brick is the best way to lessen the visual appearance. The unevenness is noticeable to you, me, the HDC, and the building owner because we've been working on it. But to the average every day person walking down the street, I really don't think it will be noticeable and it will just blend in to the rest of the building.

Of course, I'm just looking at it in a picture (which doesn't seem so bad, considering) so if I'm way off and just can't see the magnitude of how bad it looks, please let me know. In that case, maybe stick a tall plant in front of it. :)

Have a good one!

Kelly Larson
State Historic Preservation Office

-----Original Message-----

From: Travis Alden [mailto:tbalden@manisteedowntown.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 3:43 PM
To: Larson, Kelly (MSHDA)
Subject: Mike Cnudde building

Hi Kelly -

Mike Cnudde (335 river street) is trying to close out his project. I indicated to the HDC that my recollection from our conversation at the building last fall was that you felt that trying to remove that ceramic tile adhesive from the bricks on that building would likely do more harm than good. Is that accurate? Also the HDC would like to know if there is a way to even out/lessen the visual impact of the adhesive that you would recommend. If you can reply to this in an email or even a brief memo that's what they are looking for.

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Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks Kelly.

Sent from Travis Alden's mobile device.