

**HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
July 28, 2015**

Present: Tamara Schuster, Megan Tooker, Pat Long, Walt Schneider, A. Uhler

Absent: Sam McGinley, Alan Uhler, Robert Lingenfelter,

Staff Present: Vana Dainty,

Guests: Gary Wilt; Rod Beard; Nancy O. Miller; Stephanie Cooper Robinson;

Call to Order:

- T. Schuster called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Additions/Corrections to the Agenda:

- 101 North Allegheny Street (Cancelled, no longer putting holes in brownstone.)

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

- None.

Declaration of Ex Parte Communication:

- None.

Approval of Minutes: P. Long made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 14, 2015. M. Tooker seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as presented.

Project Review and Public Comments:

Project Review #1

101A North Allegheny Street

Represented by: Rod Beard

Description of Proposed Work: New Back Door & Signage

HARB Discussion: There is nothing significantly historic with the old back door. The new door will not be identical because he would like to have glass in it to provide light on the interior of the entrance. He would prefer a half-lite with an interior shade. The old door has weatherization issues. Mr. Schneider suggested he call Ned or Rob because of the proximity of that to the neighboring building; it may require the window to be limited in size or to be a fire glass. You can now get fire glass that is not a wire glass. He would like input from HARB about what they would prefer.

Mr. Beard relocated his office back to the brownstone and will be moving into the 101A North Allegheny. His sign was previously on the corner of the building. The sign was on each side of the corner and they were identical, which would enable it to become a two-faced blade type sign. His intention is to put it on the building where the previous tenant had their sign located. He would get a bracket made to utilize the same holes. Their sign was a 2' x 2' square and his is approximately 4' x 2'. The sign was previously approved by HARB for the corner location. He would like to use a twisted wrought iron bracket. It is suggested there be an end on the bar with a nubby end or a curl back.

HARB Recommendation: W. Schneider made a motion to replace the door and leave staff review it. P. Long seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of August 3, 2015.

W. Schneider made a motion to approve the signage with the bracket being approved by staff. P. Long seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of August 3, 2015.

Project Review #2

122 West Bishop Street

Represented by: Vana Dainty

Description of Proposed Work: Signage

HARB Discussion: Ms. Dainty showed the signage. It is all in the required signage space. The owner would like to open very soon. It will be the dark green.

HARB Recommendation: P. Long made a motion to approve the signage at 122 West Bishop Street as presented in the photograph. M. Tooker seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of August 3, 2015.

Project Review #3

106 North Spring Street

Represented by: Gary Wilt

Description of Proposed Work: Replace wood hand split shingles.

HARB Discussion: The facade on the Pizza Mia is rotting out and the shingles are shot. In order to put new sheeting on and re-felt and put new shingles on. I learned I need to get approval on the type and color of the shingles. We will also be repairing the trim and refreshing the paint. That will all be done in kind. The shingles are fiberglass architectural and there are different colors to choose from. The roof currently has shakes on it. The building next door has asphalt shingles. It was suggested perhaps a slate line may look better on the building.

HARB Recommendation: P. Long made a motion to approve the new roof on the building at 106 North Spring Street; to be fiberglass shingles in a Slate Stone Gray color. A. Uhler seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of August 3, 2015. The code office needs to issue a permit because this is a roof on a commercial structure.

Project Review #4

252 Match Factory Place Centre Audiology

Represented by:

Description of Proposed Work: Signage already in place.

HARB Discussion: This sign was already installed. Ms. Dainty informed them they need to come before HARB. It meets the zoning requirements and fits in the space nicely.

HARB Recommendation: W. Schneider made a motion to approve the sign. A. Uhler seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of August 3, 2015.

Administrative Approval:

- None.

Information/Discussion Items:

- August meetings (Only one Council meeting August 3rd.) - Ms. Dainty has some training that would take approximately 45 minutes and she would like to use this at the August 11th meeting. We decided we would still take projects and also do the training at the August 11th meeting.

Old Business:

- None.

New Business:

- W. Schneider asked if window graphics could be approved by staff rather than bringing it before HARB. If staff feels it is inappropriate or out of line it could be brought before HARB. If the applicant disagrees with the staff recommendation they have the option to come before the board.

W. Schneider made a motion that staff has the authority to approve signage that is within a window or within the building. P. Long seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.

Stephanie Cooper Robinson was in attendance and thought something had been turned in for the building the Faith Center owns on S. Allegheny. The office had not received an application. She was given an application and a window inventory sheet.

Adjournment:

- With no further business to come before HARB, W. Schneider made a motion to adjourn the July 28, 2015 meeting. A. Uhler seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.