

**HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
October 11, 2016**

Present: Sam McGinley; Megan Tooker; Pat Long; Alan Uhler;
Walt Schneider

Excused: Mack Mahan; Robert Lingenfelter;

Staff Present: Vana Dainty, Keystone Community Coordinator

Guests:

Call to Order:

- S. McGinley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Additions/Corrections to the Agenda:

- None

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

- None.

Declaration of Ex Parte Communication:

- None.

Approval of Minutes: W. Schneider made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 13, 2016 as presented. P. Long seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.

Project Review and Public Comments:

Project Review #1

409 West High Street

Represented by:

Description of Proposed Work: She would like to paint her house. She would like to paint the shutters "Midnight Hour", which is a dark green. The door would be "Sienna". The wall would be "Stormy Monday", which is a gray.

HARB Discussion: The dormer windows were taken out before this owner purchased the property. The trim will remain the creamy color. The decorative trim above the door will not be accented. If the homeowner would like to remove the shutters in the future she would need to come back before HARB. The homeowner would like to paint the storefront next to her house in the same color scheme. The door on that part is white and will remain white.

HARB Recommendation: A. Uhler made a motion to approve the project as presented. W. Schneider seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of October 17, 2016.

Project Review #2

150 North Water Street

Represented by:

Description of Proposed Work: Roof replacement

HARB Discussion: Ms. Dainty said the homeowner was taken to court. He has a court order to come before HARB for the metal roof because it was put on without coming to HARB. The white house has a new metal roof on it. He submitted his application. W. Schneider said the court order actually states he has to make application to HARB. He said most of the time the court is not legally allowed to make an order. On the photo it looks like he replaced two windows. HARB members feel the new roof looks much better than the old one. There is nothing in the ordinance that requires him to be at the meeting. W. Schneider doesn't feel there is anything to have him at the meeting to ask questions of. The metal roof is a very inexpensive metal roof. A. Uhler wondered if he would be adding gutters to it.

HARB Recommendation: W. Schneider made a motion to approve the project. P. Long seconded the motion. HARB members approved the motion for recommendation to Borough Council at their meeting of October 17, 2016.

Project Review #3

237 West Linn Street

Represented by:

Description of Proposed Work: Color scheme for an addition that will be going up.

HARB Discussion: HARB members have not seen any drawings of the proposed addition and would like more details.

HARB Recommendation: W. Schneider made a motion to table the project. A. Uhler seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.

Administrative Approval:

- The Freight Building in Talleyrand Park had a crawl space that needed a door and it needed done because of code. They took wood from the Freight Building, built a door and put it on. The hinges are hidden.

- The Revised Ordinances passed Council and are currently in effect.

- 251 North Allegheny Street has some exciting things going on. They are going to keep the original garage. Because of how the utilities are run there is no other place to put it so they will re-do the garage in-kind. The church next door will be redoing their kitchen and will move the exhaust system to the roof of the church. Currently their electric is hooked from the garage to the house. They will re-do all of that. They will be using the same paint colors as the house and the same shingles as the house. Those colors were already approved. They have been doing repairs on the house so they were not ready to paint it yet.

Information/Discussion Items:

- None.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Letter from Millie Ragosta – HARB members are unsure what she would like done. Ms. Dainty sent her the HARB application. A. Uhler suggested sending her another letter explaining the procedure and point out that she needs to present the entire project, or have a representative attend the meeting, even though she was already told that. She has threatened to go to her lawyer. M. Tooker recommended writing back and saying HARB cannot issue Certificates of Appropriateness without seeing the following and list out what is required. W. Schneider suggested asking her to have her attorney contact HARB.

- A. Uhler is trying to get some work done on his parent's building. He is trying to figure out how to deal with the rain gutter on the back of the building. When the building was reroofed a few years ago he came up with some replacement tile. The half-round gutter on the front is in good shape, but in the back it is not good. The replacement cost for half-round gutter is \$90.00 for an 8'-10' section and cost wise it is prohibitive for his parents. He is not a fan of the k-style gutter but he is contemplating that. It is visible from Spring Street. P. Long said Wetzler's was allowed to put up k-style gutter and it is very visible. M. Tooker said they were replacing in-kind. P. Long said they had half-round on the turret. S. McGinley asked him to bring pictures of what is there. It was suggested that he try a surplus yard such as G&R Salvage in Tyrone. W. Schneider suggested he talk to a sheet metal shop about making gutter. V. Dainty said if he can't replace in kind he will need to submit an application and show his project just like anybody else would have to do.

- W. Schneider said as of a week ago the Cadillac Building has started being moved in to. When the Garman is done there will be a ribbon cutting. W. Schneider said he feels the leadership in Bellefonte has done the correct thing in permitting them to demolish the Garman. M. Tooker doesn't feel the preservation process went correctly from the Borough for that building. She doesn't believe it was salvageable, but she doesn't feel the process was correct. She wanted the Borough to stand up and say we saved the Cadillac Building. W. Schneider said it was said, but the paper didn't publish it.

Adjournment:

- With no further business to come before HARB a motion was made by W. Schneider to adjourn the October 11, 2016 meeting. A. Uhler seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.