

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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

MEETING MINUTES

December 4, 2008

A Meeting of the Manistee City Historic District Commission was held on Thursday, December 4, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by Chair Kracht.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Dave Carlson, Teena Kracht, Nathaniel Neider, John Perschbacher

Members Absent: Maria DeRee (excused), T. Eftaxiadis (excused), Kelly Niles (excused)

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Dave Carlson, seconded by Nathaniel Neider that the Agenda for the December 4, 2008 Meeting be approved.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Dave Carlson that the Minutes of the November 6, 2008 Meeting be approved.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS:

Original Signage - Policy #10

The Historic District Commission discussed adding a new policy about Original Signage. This was discussed at their Worksession on November 13, 2008. A draft has been prepared for the History District Commission to review and possibly adopt.

MOTION by Dave Carlson, seconded by John Perschbacher to adopt Policy #10 Original Signage.

With a roll call vote this motion passed 4 to 0.

Yes: Perschbacher, Carlson, Neider, Kracht
No: None

Election of Officers 2009.

According to the By-Laws of the City of Manistee Historic District Commission their annual election of Officers is held at the December Meeting for the following year.

Chair

At this time the meeting was turned over to Jon Rose who asked for nominations for the Position of Chair.

John Perschbacher nominated Teena Kracht for the position of Chair

Nominations were asked for three times. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed.

With a roll call vote, Teena Kracht was elected Chair of the Historic District Commission for 2009, 4 to 0.

Voting for Teena Kracht: Perschbacher, Carlson, Neider, Kracht

Vice-Chair

Jon Rose asked for nominations for the Position of Vice-Chair.

Nathaniel Neider nominated John Perschbacher for the position of Vice-Chair

Nominations were asked for three times. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed.

With a roll call vote, John Perschbacher was elected Vice - Chair of the Historic District Commission for 2009, 4 to 0.

Voting for John Perschbacher: Kracht, Neider, Carlson, Perschbacher,

Appointment of a Recording Secretary 2009

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Dave Carlson that Denise Blakeslee be appointed as the Recording Secretary for the Historic District Commission for 2009.

With a roll call vote, Denise Blakeslee was appointed as Recording Secretary of the Historic District Commission for 2009, 4 to 0.

Yes: Neider, Carlson, Perschbacher, Kracht
No: None

The meeting was turned back over to Chair Kracht.

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Jeffrey & Sharry Curtis owner of the My Way Sundae Shop on Washington Street were sent a letter regarding signage that was installed without a permit.

Jon Rose said that he spoke with Mr. Curtis on November 24, 2008. They had just returned from vacation and did not have time to complete the paperwork. Mr. Rose said that he told them to submit their application by December 22, 2008 to be placed on the January 2009 agenda.

STAFF REPORTS

Gateway Gallery/Melissa Ketz, 129 Washington Street

A Temporary Sign Permit was issued to Gateway Gallery/Melissa Ketz, 129 Washington Street for a Sign 16" x 7.5". Staff noted that because the January meeting is a week later the 45 day expiration period will have passed before they could review a request for permanent signage at the January meeting.

MOTION by Dave Carlson, seconded by Nathaniel Neider that the Historic District Commission allow the temporary sign permit issued to Gateway Gallery/Melissa Ketz, 129 Washington Street to remain in force until January 8, 2009.

With a roll call vote this motion passed 4 to 0.

Yes: Carlson, Neider, Perschbacher, Kracht
No: None

Consignment Shop, 333 River Street - Signage

The Consignment Shop has removed the signage.

Purdom Building, 369 River Street - Cornice Profile

Commissioners were given a Cornice Profile for the Purdom Building at 369 River Street. This element was not on the previous request submitted to the Commission. An application will be made to the Commission for the January Meeting.

Consensus from the Commission is they would like specified on the application what type of material will the Cornice will be made from. Other than that no problem with the Cornice Profile.

The Next meeting of the Historic District Commission will be on Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Nathaniel Neider that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:45 P.M.

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Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary