

City of Allegan
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Griswold Auditorium – 401 Hubbard Street, Allegan MI 49010

HDC MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 3, 2013
DRAFT

1. **Call to Order by Chairman Detweiler at 6:59**
2. **Attendance**
Present: Gene Detweiler, Peter Savage, Nancy Ingalsbee, Owen Hunt, John Pahl, and Shawn Gavan, and Kathy Cassady
Also Present: Patrick Hudson-Historic District Administrator
3. **Agenda**
MOTION: by Peter Savage to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Owen Hunt. Motion approved 7-0
4. **Minutes (*see item 7 - 1)**
Meeting of May 13, 2013
MOTION: by Nancy Ingalsbee to approve the minutes as presented, Second by Kathy Cassady. Motion approved 7-0
5. **Public Comment**
None
6. **New Business**
 - 1) - **412 Water Street** (John West, business owner) -
West explained the sign design & placement -
Detweiler asked about the height above the side walk and how the sign - ordinance reads. And could the chain be painted black? -
Gavan asked about the material composition of the sign -
West – it is marine plywood -
MOTION: by Shawn Gavan to approve the sign as is. -
2nd by Kathy Cassady. Motion approved 7-0 -
 - 2) - **106 Locust Street** (Phil Siegler, business owner)
Siegler described the existing door
Hudson submitted a photo of the door
Detweiler – observed that the door cannot be seen unless one goes down the alley.
Siegler explained that there are very few choices for industrial doors which he feels is needed for security reasons
Savage noted that this is primarily about function
MOTION by Owen Hunt to approve the new replacement door for the rear alley garage at 106 Locust as presented. Second by Nancy Ingalsbee
Motion passed 7-0
Siegler asked for opinion on a replacement sign for the front of the building.
Detweiler said that it would be better to submit a drawing and application for the next meeting.

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- 3) - **414 Trowbridge Street** (Matt Antkoviak, owner)
Antkoviak explained the previously approved changes to the rear porch and the issues with the location of this window in the frieze – also showing where another similar window had been but which had been removed when the dormer was added.
Pahl – Don't know what that window is doing there.
Discussion about the origin of this type of window in this house
MOTION: by Owen Hunt to approve the removal of the window and changes to the porch roof as requested. Second by Nancy Ingalsbee.
Motion approved 7-0
- 4) - **219 Hubbard Street** (Rose Mary Wood, ARC owner)
Wood presented a panorama of the river front of the business block showing this building and a pre-1923 photo of the rear of the building at that time.
Wood said that she will be using the wire-cut red brick same as the front on the rear
Hudson explained that he had inspected the building and found that the original brick wall no longer exists.
Detweiler asked if the exterior windows still exist
Wood only the ones on the third floor the rest are new
Detweiler asked if the proposed windows will be double-hung
Wood – yes but she did not have any samples
Savage asked what would be left showing on the neighboring structure's wall when the balconies and concrete block building are removed
Wood this will expose the brick
Gavan asked if the neighbor is aware
Wood had not discussed this with them
Savage and Gavan observed that the proposal would be an improvement.
Detweiler asked about the window appearance and noted that they should be similar to what is typical for windows in this block
Discussion followed on window style
Detweiler said he would be ok if the Historic District Administrator reviewed the windows for approval
Hudson asked about the style of the balconies
MOTION by Owen Hunt to approve the demolition of the rear balconies and construction of a new rear wall as indicated in the application with review and approval by the Historic District Administrator of the windows and fire escape.
Second by Nancy Ingalsbee, Motion approved 7-0.

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7. Old Business – Detweiler excused

1) - **May 6 HDC minutes**

Hudson brought it to the commission's attention that the May 6 minutes had been omitted from the agenda.

Vice Chair Peter Savage asked for a motion to approve

MOTION by Nancy Ingalsbee to approve the May 6 minutes, 2nd by Kathy Cassady, motion approved 6-0

Detweiler returned

2) - **Riverfront Design meeting**

Commissioners were urged to attend the June 18th City Council meeting for a presentation of the Riverfront Design.

8. Additional New Business

None

9. Education

1) - MHPN Training program

Hudson had received the request to have the Advanced Training program at the HDC's August meeting.

All agreed that this would be ok. Suggested 5:00 PM start

Hunt asked if the city would provide sandwiches

Ingalsbee asked if it would be open to the public to attend and if an open invitation could be sent out

10. Staff Comments

- 1) - Property Maintenance Code enforcement status -
Report from MTS was discussed -

11. Commission Comments

None

12. Adjournment

MOTION: by Owen Hunt for adjournment, 2nd Kathy Cassady. Approved 7-0 @ 8:05 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Patrick Hudson, Historic District Administrator

The minutes of this meeting will be available at City Hal, 112 Locust Street, Allegan MI 49010 (269) 673-5511