

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

**HDC MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, July 1, 2013**  
**DRAFT**

1. **Call to Order by Chairman Detweiler at 7:00**
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 Nancy Ingalsbee to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Kathy Cassady. Motion approved 7-0
4. **Minutes**  
Meeting of June 3, 2013  
MOTION: by Peter Savage to approve the minutes as presented, Second by Owen Hunt. Motion approved 7-0
5. **Public Comment**  
None
6. **New Business**
  - 1) - **405 Ely Street** (David Stankus, owner)  
Stankus described the design & placement of the proposed 3-car garage and indicated that they would like to use “Smart-Lap” siding – a composite lap siding similar to the wood siding on the house.  
Detweiler noted that he would have preferred a hipped roof design but understands that the large center door would not work with that type of roof system  
Hunt said that the old barn that was on this site had a simple pitched roof much like the one proposed  
Gavan noted that the location is far enough back so that it won’t detract from the character of the house  
Savage inquired about the proposed siding  
Stankus said that it is a wood fiber similar to the cement-type siding  
MOTION: by Owen to approve the application as submitted.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn Gavan. Motion approved 7-0  
Gavan noted that this was a very well written application.
  - 2) - **352 Cutler Street** (Michele Canales, owner)  
Hudson submitted a site plan for the lot from the 1928 Sanborn map  
Canales indicated on the map the locations for the two sheds  
Detweiler – asked if the Rubbermaid shed could be located at the rear-east corner of the house  
Discussion on the RubberMaid products  
MOTION by Peter Savage to allow the RubberMaid shed so long as it is kept to the back wall of the house on the east side and to allow the wood shed  
Second by Nancy Ingalsbee. Motion approved 7-0 – discussion continued

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(352 Cutler – discussion continued)

Discussion on status of the porch railings

Hudson noted that there was legal action taken by the city concerning these railings

Canales said that they were aware of the situation

Discussion on the spindles and stair railings

MOTION by Shawn Gavan to require the repair work on the porch railings be completed within 90 days of this date and to give the Historic District Administrator the authority to approve the design of the spindles. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Owen Hunt. Motion approved 7-0.

3) - **230 Monroe Street** (Patrick Hudson, HD Administrator)

Hudson explained that the city had obtained a court order allowing the city to hire a contractor to repair this house due to demolition by neglect

Discussion on the procedures

Ingalsbee explained the city council's position and how cost recovery is anticipated

MOTION: by Nancy Ingalsbee to approve the application to repair 230 Monroe as requested. Second by Kathy Cassidy.  
Motion approved 7-0

**7. Old Business**

1) - **City Parks Commission**

Hudson brought it to the commission's attention that the Parks Commission will be meeting July 17 at the Allegan Township Hall at 7:00 PM to discuss Veteran's Memorial Park – HDC is encouraged to attend

**8. Additional New Business**

None

**9. Education**

1) - MHPN Advance Training program

Hudson informed the HDC that the Advanced Training program is set for the August 5 regular meeting but at 5:00. It can be open to the public

Discussion about the agenda for the Advanced Training and it was decided that the program is aimed more for the commissioners than the general public so the public may attend to observe.

**10. Staff Comments**

1) - Certified Local Government grant program opportunity was discussed. Hudson and Hillard had met with SHPO representative to discuss possible opportunities and they discovered that the ARC building may qualify for a grant because it is a 501 C 3 organization

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

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- 4) - Hudson explained that status of 240 Monroe and that Peter Antkoviak has contacted MTS about permits and time lines. It was also noted that additional work has begun

**11. Commission Comments**

- 1) - Shawn Gavan announced that his home in Allegan is for sale and that he will be leaving the commission. Discussion about nominations for possible replacement
- 2) - Nancy Ingalsbee noted that 2014 is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Allegan's Carnegie Library

**12. Adjournment**

MOTION: by Peter Savage for adjournment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nancy Ingalsbee. Approved 7-0 @ 7:48 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