

City of Allegan
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Griswold Auditorium – 401 Hubbard Street, Allegan MI 49010
HDC MEETING MINUTES
Monday, December 7, 2015
DRAFT

Call to Order by Chairman Peter Savage at 7:00

1. Attendance

Present: Nancy Ingalsbee, Fred Jordan, Owen Hunt, Peter Savage, Kathy Cassady and Marcia Neigebauer

Excused: Jill Bentley

Also Present: Patrick Hudson-Historic District Administrator

2. Agenda - Revised

MOTION: by Fred Jordan to approve the revised agenda. Second by Owen Hunt.
Motion approved 6-0.

3. Minutes

Minutes for November 2, 2015

MOTION: by Kathy Cassady to approve the minutes as presented, second Marcia Neigebauer. Motion approved 6-0

4. Public Comment

None

5. New Business

1) 302 Ely St. (Marv Van Oosten, contractor)

Van Oosten described the new porches and railings to be installed

Short discussion in favor of the improvements

MOTION: by Owen Hunt to approve the project as presented. Second by Nancy Ingalsbee. Discussion on time line and porch post design. Motion passed 6-0

6. Old Business

1) 136 Delano St. (owner not present)

Hudson explained that he had spoken with the SHPO attorney who opined that the HDC cannot take back something they have approved especially when construction has begun.

Discussion and explanations.

MOTION: by Marcia Neigebauer to allow the 4-foot high fence to extend along the east lot line to the existing post so long as it is in conformance with the zoning ordinance; and within 30 days to remove the existing metal fence along that lot line. Second by Nancy Ingalsbee. Motion approved 6-0

7. Additional New Business

1) 401 Hubbard Street – Griswold Auditorium grant support

Hudson distributed photographs of the repair issues with the auditorium and the grant application objectives. Presented a letter of support for the HDC to sign.

MOTION: by Nancy Ingalsbee to support the grant application, second by Owen Hunt. Motion approved 6-0. Members signed the letter of support.

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8. Education

1) HDC technical assistance

Hudson had a list of suggested possible contractors who could be approached to render technical assistance to the HDC. Commissioners added several other possibilities.

Discussion on requesting a budget item from City Council for 1-2 requests per year.

Hudson to contact possible contractors for estimates. ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING

9. Staff Comments

None

10. Commission & Public Comments

- Ingalsbee expressed concern about the old Penny's building windows and asked for a review of the "temporary" approvals granted previously so that the HDC can pursue options. ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING.

- Cassidy asked for a status report on the Morton house on Ely St. and a time line for painting. ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING

- Dr. Savage will be retiring from medical practice at the end of the year

11. Adjournment

MOTION: by Nancy Ingalsbee for adjournment, 2nd Fred Jordan.

Approved 6-0 @ 7:43 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Patrick Hudson

Historic District Administrator

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