



CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
Historic District Commission
Art Pappas Village Hall 375 Depot Road
Clarkston, MI 48346

Draft Minutes for Go-To-Meeting Video Conference Tuesday February 9, 2021

Meeting called to order by J. Meloche at 7:01 PM.

Present: J. Meloche, M. Moon, J. Nantau, J. Radcliff. All present in Clarkston, Michigan.
Absent: M. Luginski.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by M. Moon, second by J. Radcliff to approve as written. Aye: J. Meloche, M. Moon, J. Nantau, J. Radcliff. Nay: None.

Announcements: None

Public Comments: Jonathan Smith, City Manager:

- (1) Ed Adler has indicated to Mr. Smith his intention to appeal the rulings of the Administrative Law Judge and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) as regards 42 West Washington Street to the Michigan Circuit Court.
- (2) Mr. Smith requested that a Commissioner assume responsibility as virtual meeting organizer going forward. Commissioner J. Nantau agreed to fulfill that role.

Approval of the January 12, 2021 meeting minutes: Motion by J. Radcliff, second by J. Nantau to approve the minutes as written without changes or additions. Aye: J. Meloche, M. Moon, J. Nantau, J. Radcliff. Nay: None.

Historic District Study Committee Update:

- (1) Commissioner Jennifer Radcliff mentioned during the January meeting that the original photo negative pages of the Heritage book had previously been given to the Clarkston Community Historical Society (CCHS). Nancy Moon contacted the CCHS to ask if said documents were in their historic files. No response as of yet has been received. The Heritage book does have old photos that would be of value to the survey.
- (2) Nancy Moon wants to thank the following individuals who have to date provided photos and information about their respective structures within the historic district:

Jonathan Smith (city hall)
Brad & Carey Stricklin
Bryan & Nancy Prucher
Jim & Sandra Markwalder

Jimmie and Susan Savich
Kim and Ed Berry
Don & Jean Frayer
Buck & Joan Kopietz.

Comment: In order to obtain photos contained in the Heritage book, it may be necessary to digitize images from a first printing copy of the book since it appears that the original negatives have been destroyed.

Existing Applications for Review and Discussion:

27 South Holcomb Street: Homeowner/applicant Ted Quisenberry along with his architect Pete Maniaci presented site plan, floor plans and drawings for construction of a new porch on the southern portion of the east elevation. Materials discussed included stone foundation, wood frame and black metal roof (to match color of existing shingles). Design appears to be appropriate style (shed type roof) and massing. There is definite style distinction from the original Greek Revival structure. Motion by M. Moon, second by J. Radcliff to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of a new porch on the east elevation based upon the site plan, floor plans and drawings and the materials discussed. Aye: J. Meloche, M. Moon, J. Nantau, J. Radcliff. Nay: None.

The homeowner must return with final plans and materials. Planned changes to a back (west) elevation window must be brought to the Historic District Commission (HDC) separately.

New Applications for Review and Approval: None

Presentation by Julie Meredith, Director of Clarkston Independence District Library (CIDL):

The CIDL maintains the Community Information Network which includes the Historic District "Walking Tour" originally constructed by Bill and Susan Basinger with a grant from the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) administered by the Library of Michigan. New features include:

- 1) Historic District Map from which you can access the photo and information of any address in the district individually;
- 2) This can be done from a cell phone while walking the district;
- 3) There is a version appropriate for the needs of elementary school children;
- 4) The Historic District in depth is available for those doing research or for HDC commissioners. This includes all information available on a property and can be set up to include Certificates of Appropriateness, Historic District Survey, other HDC documents if wanted;
- 5) A version for homeowners who may wish to show interior design features or make available to a realtor;
- 6) Gallery of historical photos;
- 7) Genealogy section.

This is essentially a database with a template for each house that includes history, old and new exterior photos, genealogy, etc. If needed, the site used by HDC Commissioners can be password protected. Changes in the database can only be made by the database administrator.

Michigan Historic Tax Credit Program:

Commissioner J. Radcliff spoke with Janet Kreger of the Michigan Historic Preservation Network (MHPN) for an update on progress. Mark Rodman of MHPN is working with the SHPO historic preservation architect Robert McKay to construct a fact sheet and finalize the language for the rules and procedures by which residents may apply for tax credits under the new law. This will probably come before the SHPO Review Board in May. It is possible that applications may not be accepted until after our current building season, but possibly as early as August.

Also discussed was the advisability of establishing time limitations on the viability of an Application for Work and a Certificate of Appropriateness. The latter has been considered to be one calendar year.

Final Comments:

Status of comments concerning 21 North Main Street from January 12, 2021 meeting. Nothing has been accomplished yet.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday March 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Moon