

November 6, 2019

The Historic Preservation Commission of the Town of Corydon, Indiana met in the Town Hall, 219 N. Capitol Avenue, Corydon, Indiana, on the 6th day of November, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by Adam Burkhardt at 6:00 PM.

The members of the Commission present or absent were as follows:

Present:

Adam Burkhardt - *Chairman*

Tim Johnson – *Vice Chairman*

Eva Bates North – *Member*

Janet Bischoff – *Member*

Barbara Scharrer – *Member*

Laura Renwick – *Advisory Member*

Absent:

None

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Janet Bischoff made a motion to approve the July 2, 2019 minutes. Eva North seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The first item on the agenda was the fence proposed by Ben Shireman to go around the water heaters by the Capitol Building. Susan Mills spoke for Mr. Shireman, as he could not be present. She gave the Board a picture showing what the fence would look like and reminded the Board that Mr. Shireman had come before them at a previous meeting to make sure he was on the right track with his fence. Laura Renwick stated that Mr. Shireman was using the appropriate materials and the fence would have no direct impact on the Historical Building it was near. Tim Johnson and Barbara Scharrer both said the fence would be a major improvement and make a positive impact. Tim Johnson made a motion for the Commission to approve a COA for Mr. Shireman pending a completed application for a COA turned in to Susan Mills.

The next case was Mr. Adam Giles with Li Treasures and Furocity Grooming. Mr. Giles informed the Commission that he had taken his proposal to restore this building through Main Street Corydon Design Committee and received approval, pending the COA, for a façade grant. Mr. Giles showed the Commission the wood siding he proposed to put on the building. He also proposed to have 2 rows of 6 grid, like original, windows along the top of the building, but would eliminate any windows on the bottom level due to security concerns. He also planned on painting the concrete block the same color as the siding with off-setting white and black trim. He also plans on replacing the overhead door.

Some of the commission were not certain about the siding as they would like to have seen it smooth. It was pointed out, however, that two other buildings in the area were allowed to have the textured siding. Rand Heazlitt asked Mr. Giles how much the façade was projected to cost. Mr. Giles stated that he estimated close to \$25,000. He also stated that he had put approximately \$75,000 in the building to date. Adam Burkhardt reminded the Commission that they needed to be consistent as well as flexible; that they needed to allow buildings to be improved without being burdensome on the owners, while still retaining the historic value. Eva North made the motion to approve the COA request. Barbara seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The final case before the board was the WPA building owned by the Town. Rand Heazlitt spoke to the Commission regarding the WPA building on Rice Island. He showed the Commission pictures of the building as it stands currently and showed them pictures and specs of what were the proposed changes. Rand stated that the Hardie Board would only be covering the cement blocked areas, that the stone would remain unchanged. Laura asked if the seamed metal roof would be replaced with the same type of seamed metal roof and Rand said that it would. Tim Johnson asked Rand to go over all the work step by step. Rand showed Tim the pictures and explained the process. Laura Renwick stated that she was satisfied that the changes met the historical guidelines. Barbara made a motion to give an approval of a COA pending the completion of admittance to the Historic Preservation Area by the Town Council. Janet Bischoff seconded the motion. Eva North and Tim Johnson abstained, Adam Burkhardt voted in the affirmative to break the tie. The motion passed.

The Commission discussed the updated guidelines Laura Renwick with Indiana Landmarks is in the process of creating. Laura asked for feedback on the updated guidelines for several areas she had previously e-mailed to the Commission as well as on additional chapters she brought for them to peruse. The Commission members commented that the updated guidelines were much easier to follow and understand than the current guidelines. Adam asked if the updated guidelines were consistent with what Landmark created for other communities. Laura said that it was. The Commission also commented on the pictures used as examples, which are photos of local buildings. Eva pointed out that the map, which Laura had taken from the current guidelines, was not oriented correctly. Laura will change the map orientation in the updated guidelines.

Janet made a motion to adjourn. Eva seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM.

DATED: _____

SIGNED: _____

ATTEST: _____