

**Village of Kinderhook**  
**Historic Preservation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting on October 15, 2015**

**Present:** K. Neilson - Chairperson, R. Piwonka, R. Blackburn, T. Husband,  
R. Puckett - Trustee Liaison

**Absent:** R. Dawkins, G. Smith - Code Enforcement Officer

**Others Present:** Renee Shur

K. Neilson brought the meeting to order at 7:13 pm.

**Minutes:** Motion made to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 17, 2015.  
Motion: R. Piwonka; Second: T. Husband. Motion carried.

**Funds Available:** \$1,333.56

**Workshop:**

- Renee Shur, (Director - Office of Economic Development, Village of Kinderhook) presented the Commission with a proposed illustration of several signs for the Village of Kinderhook Municipal Parking lot located on Hudson St. The main sign, being two sided and similar to the Kinderhook Post Office sign, to read "Public Parking" one one side (facing Hudson St.) and on the back side to read "2 Hour Parking in Center Spaces - 8am to 5pm weekdays" (visible to the parking lot area). Placement of sign would be installed where the Kiosk presently stands (Kiosk to be removed), which is said to be the best location for site lines. Although the illustration indicates the sign to be 3 ft x 4 ft, the Commission stated these dimensions were too large. The sign would be mounted using two 4 x 4 posts with caps, suggestion of 5 1/2 ft to 6 ft would be the preferred height. Lettering to be carved into sign as opposed to painted letters. Renee to discuss size of sign with John Reilly Signs & Design of Chatham. Two additional wall mounted signs, 1ft x 2ft, to read "No Parking Anytime" will also have carved lettering. These signs will replace current Department of Transportation signs, incorporating their same language.

**Other:**

- The Commission was notified by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation via letter dated October 1, 2015 that the property owned by the Village of Kinderhook, East of Rothermel Avenue, with property name of "Kinderhook

African-American Cemetery" (aka "Person of Color Cemetery") is being considered by the State Review Board, for nomination to the State and National Registers of Historic Places, at its next meeting on December 3, 2015.

Motion made for the HPC to support the Village of Kinderhook in their effort to have the "Kinderhook African-American Cemetery" located east of Rothermel Avenue included in the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The HPC believes this site is of historic significance and should be treated as such. Motion: K. Neilson; Second: T. Husband. Motion carried.

- The Village of Kinderhook is currently replacing the roof and repairing/replacing moldings & trim details on the Village Hall. Robert Puckett, Trustee Liaison, requested input from the HPC as to the original color of the corbels on the Village Hall. It was recommended that a piece of wood be sliced off and evaluated to determine the layering of the paint. It is thought they may have been a dark color. A beige color was suggested and the Commission was in agreement that a beige color would be preferred over white.
- The HPC Secretary received a call from Rick Rector (HPC - Hudson, NY) regarding the painted lettering on the "Food & Grain" building, 24 Hudson St. This building is currently for sale and he questioned whether the lettering on the building could be painted over or if it had to remain in place. R. Piwonka recalls a ZBA ruling regarding the lettering and building use. HPC to research.

Motion to adjourn: 7:58 pm Motion: K. Neilson; Seconded; T. Husband. Motion carried.

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Jacqueline Bujanow, Secretary  
Historic Preservation Commission