

Village of Kinderhook
Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting - September 16, 2021
Location: Kinderhook Village Hall
(With Zoom Option)

Present: Tim Husband - Chairperson, Ken Neilson, Randal Dawkins, Sean Sawyer

Absent: -

Others Present: Michael Abrams - Liaison, Kinderhook Village Board, Peter Bujanow - Code Enforcement Officer, Liz Cottingham, Jake Samascott, Renee Shur

Workshops: **8 Hudson St./Signage/Liz & Anthony Cottingham**

Liz Cottingham presented her ideas to the Commission regarding signage for her new wine shop to be located in Darren Waterston's building, 8 Hudson Street.

L. Cottingham would like to be able to place a sign on the existing sign post near the road and building which would identify her shop since it will be located in the back building and not easily visible from the road (this existing sign post may also accommodate signage from other vendors at this location).

The actual shop sign would be to the left of the shop entrance door, attaching letters directly to the brick of the building. To the right of the shop entrance door, she would like a guild sign, a bronze-like bottle casting hanging from a bracket, possibly made out of aluminum. Lighting is also being considered, illuminating the building signage from the ground up.

The Commission informed L. Cottingham that signage greater than 24 square feet flush mount, would need ZBA approval. L. Cottingham to work with P. Bujanow regarding signage size and height limits for signage on existing post.

L. Cottingham's goal is to open her shop in late October or early November. It was noted that the HPC application would need to be received 10 days prior to the next meeting which is scheduled for October 21st. It was requested that two separate HPC applications be prepared, one for the shop signs attached to the building including lighting and one for her sign on the existing sign post, which may also be used for multiple vendor signage.

T. Husband brought the Regular Meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2021, one change on page 5, “G. Dumont” amend to “D. Dumont”.
Moved: K. Neilson; Second: R. Dawkins. Motion carried.

Funds Remaining: \$1,753.45

Correspondence: A copy of a “Notice of Violation - Order to Remedy” letter was received from the Code Enforcement Officer to Paul Calcagno re: Fence at 10 Broad Street.

Three letters of interest have been received to-date for the open seat on the Historic Preservation Commission. Letters and CVs will be reviewed by the Commission after the closing date of October 1st and a recommendation will be forwarded to the Mayor. The Mayor will bring forward the recommendation to the Village Board for approval.

In addition to posting the open position via email blast, village website, village cork board, Post Office, insert with village water bills, R. Shur offered to post to the Kinderhook Village Next Door website. J. Bujanow to forward R. Shur the pdf of the position posting.

New Business: **16 Chatham St./Porch/Jake Samascott**

J. Samascott presented his application for approval to remove the section of the porch that was damaged as a result of a vehicle accident, however, the removal had occurred prior to tonight’s meeting and HPC approval. Photos of before, damage after accident, and removal of damage section were presented.

J. Samascott stated in his email he did not realize the house was in the historic district.

The house dates back to 1856. The porch, most likely, was not original. R. Dawkins would like to see the whole porch removed, but, understands the porch helps in keeping the weather off. The floor of the porch is in good condition. J. Samascott intends to keep the porch as is currently presented in the photo, the damage section removed and new stairs and rock wall area in its place.

Motion made to approve the application with photos as presented with alterations as exist at 16 Chatham St meeting criteria in Chapter 75-7B (1 & 2) & Chapter 75-7C (1, 2, 3 & 4).

Moved: S. Sawyer; Second: K. Neilson. Motion carried.

An Application Fee of \$10 in cash paid.

Old Business:

S. Sawyer brought forward the concern some residents have regarding the posting of large yard sale signs on the Village Square, on property corners, and signs on utility poles, etc. Residents should not be placing signs on utility poles and on village property per Code Enforcement Officer. Request was made to have R. Shur post a reminder to residents.

S. Sawyer requested an update to the status of P. Calcagno's sails that were installed without HPC approval. P. Bujanow updated the Commission and will be issuing a citation. There is also additional ongoing issues that need to be documented based upon prior meeting minutes.

Procedures:

Discussion was had regarding a plaque for Ruth Piwonka to be placed on the village bandstand.

Possible language on a bronze plaque:

Ruth Piwonka
1940 - 2021
Historian to the Village of Kinderhook
Scholar of the History & Culture
of Columbia County
& the Hudson Valley

T. Husband to forward an email with the draft version to the Commission members for final review and approval.

Discussion was had regarding an "alternate" Commission member. T. Husband to draw up language and circulate to Commission members the role, term length, etc. of the alternate and upon HPC approval will forward to M. Abrams for Village Board approval and for inclusion in the HPC Bylaws.

For tonight's meeting, the HPC need only approve having an alternate for Village Board approval at their October meeting. Further details can be approved as they are developed.

Motion that the Historic Preservation Commission request that the Village Board appoint an alternate Commission member.

Moved: K. Neilson; Second: R. Dawkins. Motion carried.

M. Abrams to obtain clarification regarding Zoom Meetings. The HPC would prefer meeting in person if that is an option since it's much easier to look at materials and have discussions with applicants.

Next meeting of the HPC - October 21, 2021

Motion made to adjourn at 7:51 pm.

Moved: R. Dawkins; Second: S. Sawyer. Motion carried.

Jacqueline Bujanow, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission