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## Historic District Commission

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### Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2023

Members present: Rhonda Dempster, Marguerite Knight Erwin, Lance Ledet, & Robert Cavell

Members absent: Cody Blanchard

Also Present: Monique Reulet, Public Works Secretary; Josh Bourgeois, Public Works Director

Erwin called the meeting to order.

Cavell moved to accept the minutes presented for the July 13, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dempster, all commission members were in favor, motion carried 4 to 0, with 1 absent.

Erwin introduced the first item on the agenda – to review proposed siding replacement plans for the building located at 521 Green St. She stated that vinyl siding is not “historic.” No one was present at the meeting to represent the proposal. Erwin contacted the Property owner, Mr. Kozar, by phone and he agreed to send a picture on the proposed color of the siding. The commission members found an image online that they believed to be the proposed siding color, but they wanted to get confirmation from the property owner. Erwin remind the members that they can only make a recommendation.

While waiting for a response from Mr. Kozar, Erwin discussed training opportunities and requirements with the commission’s newest member, Cavell. Dempster discussed the rules, ordinances and guidelines that the commission should follow.

Erwin once again remind the commission members that they could only make a recommendation, and suggested that they recommend wood, Hardie board, or another wood composite material for the siding.

Erwin & Dempster discussed the commission’s purpose and suggested they host a meeting for people within the historic district to inform them of what the commission looks for. They added that many people do not know they need to go before the commission.

Erwin received an image depicting the proposed color for the siding. She suggested that the commission adopt an approved historic color list, because this should be reviewed by the commission in addition to murals/wall signs.

Dempster made a motion to accept the siding color and recommend a wood or wood composite material for the siding install project to be located at 521 Green St. The motion was seconded by Ledet, all commission members in, motion carries 4 to 0, with 1 absent.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.