



**HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
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A meeting of the Evansville Preservation Commission was held on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 5:30 p.m., in room 318 of the Civic Center Complex, Evansville, Indiana.

**Attendance**

Commission members: Pam Guthrie, Chris Brown, Christine Keck, Eric Renschler, Matthew Rowe and were in attendance. Jody Phillips and Charlene Williamson were absent as well as Mr. Tom Barnett Executive Director/Department of Metropolitan Development. Commission Attorney Mr. Joshua Mastison and Mr. Dennis Au Historic Preservation Officer/Department of Metropolitan Development were present.

**Call to Order**

Chairwoman Pam Guthrie called the meeting to order pronouncing a quorum present.

**Approval of Minutes from March 3, 2010**

A motion was made by Matt Rowe to approve the minutes as written. Eric Renschler seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The minutes are attached and made part of these minutes.

**Applications**

**09-Staff Approved-12 803 S.E. First St. Tricia Tominack**

As there was some previous question among the Commissioner regarding what colors might have been approved for fences or if the painting of wooden fences had been approved at all, Dennis Au distributed some pictures of painted wooded fences in the Preservation Area and noted that he counted at least thirteen painted fences there.

Ms. Tominack stated at of the two colors she submitted with her application, she favored the “moss green” as it matched the green on her house.

A motion was made by Chris Brown and seconded by Christine Keck to approve the fence to be painted a “moss green.”

**08-EPC-6 413 S.E. Second St. Patricia Risch Assumption of CoA by Kim Williams**

The applicant was not present. The Commission tabled this matter.

**Old Business**

**Amendments to “Guidelines”**

Mr. Au distributed amended “Guidelines” to the Commission. Mr. Au stated he still is making changes to the index, which at this time is not included.

## **New Harmony Historic Preservation Meeting in April**

Matt Rowe, Dennis Au, and Pam Guthrie attended the Historic Preservation Meeting in New Harmony, Indiana. Mr. Matt Rowe & Ms. Guthrie attended the Preservation Guidelines session and found the speaker to be very informative. Ms. Guthrie suggested inviting the speaker at this session to give the talk at next year's Preservation Banquet.

### **New Business**

#### **Historic District signage**

Mr. Au stated that there is interest in the Riverside Historic District to have signs installed designating the boundaries of the National Register Historic District. There are two proposed sign types under consideration: 1) On top of the street signs at the corners. 2) Free-standing signs. Au reminded the Commissioners that this would need to come before the Commission for approval.

Ms. Guthrie stated Mr. Tom Barnett, Executive Director of the Department of Metropolitan Development, said he has found funding for the signage.

#### **Arts District:**

Ms. Guthrie announced the Department of Metropolitan Development will be having an informal meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm. at First Presbyterian Church regarding the overlay zoning proposal for the Arts District.

#### **Informational inquiry regarding replacement capitols for columns at 510 S.E. First Street, Brian Wildeman.**

Mr. Au told the Commission that he met with Mr. Brian Wildeman of 503 S.E. First Street regarding a Staff Approved Certificate of Appropriateness and a problem he had with the terra cotta capitols on the columns of his front porch. Au reported that these columns were deteriorating. He went on to say that Wildeman informed him that he could not find any source to reproduce them in terra cotta and proposed to use ones made of a polymer.

Mr. Wildeman passed around literature on the white fiberglass reinforced polymer capitol he proposed to use. He said that these were the closest reproductions of what currently is in place.

The Commission took this under advisement. It was the consensus of the Commission that they might favorably consider his proposal. They asked Mr. Wildeman to continue to look for terra cotta replacements. However, if Mr. Wildeman could show that was no reasonable alternative, they would consider this a special situation.

### **Adjournment**

With no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.