

REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 4, 2002
WEDNESDAY - 2:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL

The Waynesville Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2002. Members present were Bette Sprecher, Sandra Owen, Ron Fleenor, Warren Gresham, Bob Breese and Helen Malina. Others present were Planner Andrew Powell and Town Clerk Phyllis McClure. Chairman Malina called the meeting to order at 2:12 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of July 3, 2002

Bette Sprecher moved, seconded by Bob Breese to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2002 meeting with the following correction: 1st page, 3rd paragraph, 3rd sentence, correct the spelling of “worthy”. The motion carried unanimously.

Request for Nomination for Local Historic Landmark Designation by Susan and Robert Beasley - 135 Pigeon Street

Susan and Robert Beasley requested nomination for location historic landmark designation for their house located at 135 Pigeon Street. Commission Members felt that the owner should be required to attend the meetings to present their request and to answer any questions the various Boards may have. There were several parts in the write-up for this house which should be changed. For example Alden Howell should be listed as Woolsey's son-in-law; there is no son named Woolsey; Thomasine Woolsey was Alden Howell's wife. The architectural description of the house is very good. Bob Breese said Noble Garrett lived there at one time. He was a cousin of Captain Alden Howell. In the 1880's Waynesville began to be a tourist center. Mr. Howell built about 8 - 10 houses in Waynesville and this is one of them. HPC Members agreed that this is a good first draft and Susan and Robert Beasley are on the right track.

Some statements include wording such as “we believe at this time the siding was replaced”. Bette Sprecher pointed out #7 which leads you to believe that bricks were made on the property where piles of original brick material refuse were found buried. It was the consensus of the HPC that statements should be documented and that the owners or their designated representative be required to attend all meetings involving their request.

Request by Ron Fleenor for Interpretation Regarding the “Kirkpatrick House” Located on the Property Located at 31 Suyeta Park Drive in Waynesville

Ron Fleenor said the question has been brought up about the house behind his home which has been designated as a local historic landmark. This property is currently for sale and if someone wanted to use the property commercially and needed the area behind the house for parking how would the

commission feel about moving or tearing down the building so the area could be used for parking? There is a possibility that the property could be purchased and used as a doctor's office, dentist's office or restaurant. The total property is .67 acres and most of this is taken up by the house.

Helen Malina said if the structure has potential and could be moved again it would be the preference to preserve the building. Mr. Fleenor explained the condition of the building. He said the building was used for tools at this time. There is tongue and groove flooring but no subflooring. One of the walls has been taken out and the building is really a shell measuring approximately 24' x 20'. It may be possible to convert the building into a cottage.

Warren Gresham moved, seconded by Bette Sprecher, that a Memo from the Commission be created to consider the award of a site specific certificate of appropriateness which could include the removal of the Kirkpatrick house from the property at 31 Suyeta Park Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

Request for Opinion Regarding Structure at 2147 Russ Avenue (Hobbie Property; formerly Haynes Apple Orchard)

Andrew Powell said some time ago he asked the Commission to visit the property located at 2147 Russ Avenue which was recently purchased by Ken and Marian Hobbie. They have requested the opinion of the Historic Preservation Commission regarding a structure on their property which was used as a chicken house many years ago. They would like to know if the structure could still be considered worthy of local historic landmark designation even though the top two stories have been removed and the roof changed. The Commission Members will visit the site and provide an opinion to Mr. and Mrs. Hobbie.

Adjournment

With no further business, it was the consensus of the HPC to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Phyllis R. McClure
Town Clerk

Helen Malina
Chairman