

REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 5, 2001
WEDNESDAY - 2:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL

The Waynesville Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held their regular meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 2001. Members present were Ruth Chacto, Sandra Owen, Georgia Forney, Helen Malina, Ron Fleenor, Bette Sprecher, Shawn Leatherwood and Bob Breese. Others present were Planner Andrew Powell. Chairman Helen Malina called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of Oct 3, 2001

Ron Fleenor moved, seconded by Bob Breese to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2001 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Request by Jim Pierce for Historic Landmark Nomination - 66 Commerce Street - L. Pierce Pottery - "Royal Café"

Jane Sherer presented the building at 66 Commerce Street to the HPC. She presented an application to the Commission and discussed the history of the building. She also discussed the future restorations of the building.

The Commission stated they were excited to see this change and applauded the work of the Pierce's who own the building and were present.

Ron Fleenor moved to accept the application and send it on to the State. He made a note that the architectural drawings with proposed changes are part of the application.

Introduction of New Member Shawn Leatherwood

Shawn Leatherwood, who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Bob Moody, introduced himself.

Discussion Regarding Williamson House

There was discussion regarding the Williamson house located on Walnut Street. The Commission is very concerned about the fact that nothing has been done on the exterior of the building. Shawn Leatherwood sat out of the discussion since he has been working as the architect. The Commission decided to ask the Williamsons to make some significant start to the outside of the building or the Commission will attempt to remove their designation standing.

Bette Sprecher moved, seconded by Sandra Owens, for Shawn Leatherwood to request a timeline from the Williamsons as to the renovations on the house and that if they did not begin soon, they (Williamsons) would be in danger of losing the historic designation.

Mr. Andrew Powell will investigate the legality of this request and also the idea of being able to designate a building as a local landmark before it is restored with a condition that work commence within a certain time period.

Historic Preservation Week

At the next meeting on January 9, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. the HPC Members were asked to bring topics for Historic Preservation Week.

Request to Repair Stone Walls on Main Street

The Commission decided to write a letter to the Town requesting the repair of the stone walls on Main Street.

Request to Return Railroad to Waynesville

Bob Breese asked what the HPC could do to help the railroad come through Waynesville. Helen Malina is going to write a letter to Jay Henson with the Economic Development Commission with a copy mailed to Ronnie James.

Adjournment

With no further business, Ron Fleenor moved, seconded by Ruth Chacto, to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Andrew Powell
Acting Secretary

Helen Malina
Chairman