

Heritage Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 20, 2018

1. Call to Order

Keilen called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. in the First Floor Public Meeting Room, City Hall, 208 NW First Avenue, Faribault, Minnesota.

- Members Present:** Lyn Rein, Peggy Keilen, Karl Vohs, Ron Dwyer and Julie Schiffer
- Members Absent:** Roni Deschamp and Lee Nordmeyer
- Staff Present:** Kim Clausen, Community Development Coordinator
- Others Present:** Ryan Ernster, 310 Central Ave; Steve Kost, 310 Central Ave; Bill Heine, 23 3rd St NW; John Sheesley, 10-16 3rd St NE

2. Minutes

A. Regular HPC Meeting – July 16, 2018

A motion was made by Vohs and seconded by Rein to approve the July 16, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

3. General Heritage Preservation Items

A. Citizen Comment Period – None.

4. Design Reviews

A. 310 Central Avenue – Façade Improvements

Ernster and Kost described the proposed cornice for the storefront. It will be made of zinc by the W.F. Norman Corporation, which uses steam presses and molds from the early 1900. The north portion of the storefront would utilize Bracket No. 127 on the ends, with Marquee Enrichment No. 2252 as the infill between the brackets. The south portion of the storefront would utilize Bracket No. 172 on the ends and Fluted Mouldings No. 2288 as the infill between the brackets.

Dwyer stated windows might work better here instead of a cornice. Keilen likes the cornice proposal and think it complements the building. Kost was concerned about installing windows in this area because the 2nd story windows in the north storefront are recessed and feels it would be difficult to keep water from getting behind the glass storefront. Ernster suggested a simpler cornice might ease Dwyer's concerns.

Rein feels there should be more vertical definition on the storefront. Currently, the vertical detailing on each end of the storefront is exposed cinder block.

A motion was made by Rein and seconded by Vohs to accept the cornice as proposed, except that vertical columns from the cornice to grade should be incorporated into the brackets located at each end of the storefront. The motion passed 4-1 with Dwyer opposed.

B. 23 3rd St NW – Sign Permit

Staff presented information on two new signs for Heine Insurance at 23 3rd St NW. The two new signs will replace two existing signs. One sign will be placed above the main entrance on the north side of the building and

one sign will hang on the east wall of the building facing the public parking lot. The signs meet the requirements of the Downtown Sign District.

A motion was made by Vohs and seconded by Rein to approve the signs as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

C. 10-16 3rd St NE – Façade Improvements

Staff and Sheesley discussed the plans to strip paint from the brick on the south and east facades, tuckpoint and repair/replace bricks where necessary. He proposes to use dustless blasting, which uses small pieces of recycled glass to remove the paint. This process is less abrasive and messy than sandblasting and more effective than powerwashing. He will have the mortar tested to determine the appropriate mortar to use, but will likely use a product called Rosendale Natural Cement, which is freeze thaw resistant and historically accurate. Natural cement was the primary cement used during the 19th Century in the United States and was made in 71 locations in 17 states, including Mankato, Minnesota.

The work will start within the next week, pending approval from SHPO.

A motion was made by Vohs and seconded by Schiffer to approve the dustless blasting, using a finer grit, and pointing with the appropriate mortar, which will be determined by testing. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Items of Discussion

A. Annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference

Staff presented information on the Annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference in Winona from September 12-14. No commissioners are able to attend the conference.

6. Adjourn

A motion was made by Rein and seconded by Vohs to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Clausen
Community Development Coordinator

Peggy Keilen, Chairperson