

Lancaster, New York  
**MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

**I. Attendance / Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 by Chairman Meyer

Alternates:

Grocott, S.	<u>exc.</u>	1. Kwiatek, R.	<u>x</u>
Harnack, W., V. Chair	<u>x</u>	2. Hassett, J.	<u>exc.</u>
Meyer, M., Chair	<u>x</u>	Pease, G.	<u>exc.</u> (Bldg. Dept.)
Miller, G., Secretary	<u>x</u>	Stribing, J.	<u>late</u> (Village Bd. Liaison)

Roll call indicated that four (4) members were present and a quorum of four (4) existed.

**II. Public Hearings:**

**A. 5430 Central Ave / Broadway Deli / Signage**

No one attended.

**Background:** The existing temporary sign is currently being addressed in court.

**Proposal:** The applicant proposes to modify the existing sign into a permanent freestanding sign. Three designs are presented.

**Findings:** The proposed signage would violate code requirements for and limits on signage and cannot be approved.

MOTION: Harnack: To deny proposal as presented. Seconded by Meyer.

MOTION APPROVED: In a vote of four (4) to zero (0). Carried.

**B. 87 Central / Kwiatek, Lista / Rear Shed**

Kwiatek attended as the contractor for the project. Since Kwiatek must abstain from voting on this proposal, the required quorum of four voting members does not exist and non motion can be passed. The project is tabled until the next meeting, since the National Trust Conference makes scheduling a Special Meeting difficult.

**C. 5600 Broadway / Marino / Construction**

Mr. and Mrs. Marino attended.

**Background:** The 2009 Historic Structure Inventory Form indicates that this property currently consists of a 2-story L-shaped Italianate style residence. The owners stated that a foundation exists in the rear yard for a barn, but that it is deteriorated beyond use and that the new barn will be located in a different location. A new construction shed has also been built.

**Proposal:** The owners will construct a new L-shaped barn with two cupolas and a water wheel, similar to a barn that existed on the property in the past. Additional details are illustrated in the plans provided by the owners. The owners have constructed a 1-story shed; plans will be provided for the record.

**Findings:** The proposed construction is appropriate for the property in materials and style, and improves its appearance in the context of the Historic Preservation District.

MOTION: Kwiatek: To deny proposal as presented. Seconded by Meyer.

MOTION APPROVED: In a vote of four (4) to zero (0). Carried.

**Old Business:**

**A. Sigange**

1. Backlit: being addressed in court
2. Trailer: being addressed in court
3. Sandwich: Should be taken in at night, be temporary, and not made of plastic
4. Political: allowed/protected
5. Animated and LED: The board will pursue adding language to the code to prevent interior or exterior LED and animated signage

**B. New member recruitment:** An ad will be placed in the Bee advertising the vacancies. The code language describing the member requirements of the commission should be quoted as appropriate, listing the specific vacancies of teacher and real estate agent. The resumes should be due before the November meeting, at which they can be reviewed, and then interviews can be scheduled for the December meeting. Residents are preferred.

**C. Appeal hearing:** The portion of the ruling requiring a wooden rather than steel door was ruling on was overturned on appeal. The owner made no statement. Although required by code to be evaluated using the same criteria, no reference was made by the Village Board to the criteria, with the basis of the decision being that the Village Board Members “do not have a problem” with the steel door. The Village Board may seek to meet with the Commission to discuss the matter. The Commission will have to provide an account and explanation for the Village Board’s Ruling in its Annual Report to the State Historic Preservation Office.

**IV. New Business:**

**A. CLG Grant:** State funding has come through and we can proceed with RFP

**B. Save-A-Lot:** Stribing: Structural survey of the entire building will be completed soon.

**C. Public Seating Removal:** Seating is part of the master plan. Seating is usually put away for the season, but it should be returned.

**D. Holiday Party:** December 6<sup>th</sup>: Sassafras, Protocol, Elma Grille

**E. Christmasville:** More Colorful, but some merchants would not participate with the animated displays due to concerns about electricity.

**VI. Next Meetings:**

November 9, 2011

December 14, 2011

January 11, 2012

**VII. Adjourn:**

MOTION: Harnack: To adjourn at 9:15. Seconded by Kwiatek.

MOTION APPROVED: In a vote of four (4) to zero (0). Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace M. Miller, Secretary and Board Member