

Lancaster, New York

MEETING MINUTES:
Wednesday, August 8, 2012

I. Attendance / Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by Chairman Meyer

Alternates:

Campbell, S.	<u> x </u>	1. Kwiatek, R.	<u> exc. </u>
Harnack, W., Vice Chair	<u> x </u>	2. Hassett, J.	<u> exc. </u>
Meyer, M., Chair	<u> x </u>		
McNichol, S.	<u> x </u>		
		Pease, G.	<u> </u> (Bldg. Dept.)
		Stribing, J.	<u> x </u> (Vill. Bd. Liaison)
		Allein, J.	<u> x </u> (Vill. Plng. Bd.)

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

II. Public Hearings:**A. 5400 Broadway / HUNT Mortgage / Building Sign**

The petitioner was not present.

The Commission reviewed the application previously submitted.

MOTION: Harnack: To approve as submitted: Seconded by Campbell.

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

JUSTIFICATION: Sign will have no adverse effect on the property or on the Historic District - Compatible.

B. 1 Central Ave. / Bergman Associates for Sunoco / Rework free standing existing sign

Brian Burri (Bergman Assoc.) gave the presentation. Existing sign would be relocated and incorporate LED panels for gas pricing.

Discussion: Harnack expressed concern for the total amount of signage at the site. Burri responded that the recent re-branding actually reduced the square footage of signage.

Harnack opposed to use of LED signage. Campbell and Meyer agreed stating it would set a negative precedent in the Historic District. McNichol added she also has concerns about the LED and the about the Village Signage Ordinance, currently being revised.

MOTION: Meyer: To deny as submitted. Seconded by Campbell.

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

JUSTIFICATION: LED sign element not compatible with the Historic District.

C. 24 Central Ave. / Sharon & Francis Sikora / Application of vinyl graphic to existing awning

Sharon Sikora gave the presentation. New vinyl graphic will be applied to the grandfathered existing awning. A rendering was presented.

Discussion: Harnack cautioned about the use of awnings as signage. Campbell pointed to Village Code 152-19; 6 for guidelines. Harnack asked for a more traditional font and a

smaller font size. Petitioners expressed desire to comply and will amend the design.

MOTION: Harnack: To approve with conditions; Reduce lettering (“Central Perk Café”) to a maximum height of 8-inches in a more traditional font along the street elevation at the lower edge of the awning above the entry. Seconded by McNichol. [Note – provisions for backlighting are on the building but not functioning; backlit awnings are not allowed.]

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

JUSTIFICATION: No adverse effect on the property or on the Historic District – Compatible.

III. Approval of meeting minutes: June 13, 2012

MOTION: McNichol: To approve meeting minutes. Seconded by Campbell.

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

IV. Administrative Matters

A. Public Comment on Matters of Interest:

1.) New property issues:

- a. Church @ Franklin (Zurbrick): Painting masonry?
- b. 255 Church St.: property vacant; Property Maintenance Code

2.) Ongoing Property issues:

- a. 25 Central: Sign & awning; Property Maintenance Code.
- b. 5346 Broadway (Wally’s): Replacement not in-kind; no CoA.
- c. 5437 Broadway (Moose): siding repairs; Property Maintenance Code.
- c. 5572 Broadway @ Court St.: For sale – potential buyer contact re: building’s history.
- d. 5511 Broadway (Konst Office): Roof deterioration; Property Maint. Code

B. Communications/Reports: none.

C. Treasurer’s Report: none.

V. Old Business:

A. Codes news article: G. Pease; no report. Pease retiring; close item.

B. CLG funding: September deadline; Extension not an option as stated in award letter from State. Village claims an executed contract was never attached with the letter. Both Village and State reviewing; Meyer states an extension is necessary at this point.

C. W. Main St.: J. Stribing; no report.

D. Erie County Façade Improvement Program: J. Stribing; waiting on Property Owner responses.

- E. Application for Local Landmark Designation – 84 Elm Place:** Initial conversation with Ed Carlsen and Will Harnack. S. McNichol to forward contact info to M. Meyer for follow-up.

- F. Grace Miller – token of appreciation:** S. McNichol to purchase gift card.

VI. New Business:

- A. Lancaster Presbyterian Church:** Will be at the September meeting to discuss options.

- B. Former Wine Pocket:** Now a catering business. Have painted signage on the storefront windows.

- C. 16 School Street:** Purchased by the Town of Lancaster to demo and pave for parking for the public library.

- D. Commission Stipend:** Approved by the Village for Commission members beginning with the June meeting. J. Striping added that the submission of the June meeting minutes will constitute a voucher for those attending.

VI. Next Meetings:

September 12, 2012

VII. Adjourn: At 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
M. Meyer, Chair