

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY  
HALL, MACKINAC ISLAND, MICHIGAN**

Chairman Finkel called a regular meeting of the Mackinac Island Historic District to order at 1:04 p.m.

PRESENT: Andrew Doud, Lee Finkel, Lorna Straus, Alan Sehoyan, Nancy Porter (all via Zoom)

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Zoning Administrator, Dennis Dombroski, Architect, Richard Neumann (via Zoom),  
Attorney, Gary Rentrop (via Zoom)

Motion by Doud, seconded by Sehoyan to approve as amended, and place on file the minutes of the regular meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Amendments were to add "If work has not started, the applicant may request a one year extension to their permit" on the Job Status Report, and add ".. a later version of.." in the second sentence in Goodwin/Pennock Garden Historic Designation Discussion and change "contiguously" to "continuously" in the 8<sup>th</sup> line of Goodwin/Pennock summary. All in favor. Motion carries.

Motion by Porter, seconded by Doud to approve as written and place on file the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carries.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- **Gary Rentrop Statement June 10, 2020.**

Rentrop summarized the bill. The major portion of the bill is for the City and is from work done in regards to Verizon. Rentrop summarized the current status with Verizon, which has not changed since May. Straus initiated a conversation regarding the fact that the statement is for work in May. Motion by Straus to have the HDC write a letter to City Council endorsing the current status of the work being done by Rentrop for the City. Doud, Sehoyan, Porter and Lee were opposed to this motion. The Motion was not approved. It was decided that Rentrop will present a summary to City Council.

- **Letter from Brad Chambers Requesting the Extension of Permit C19-035-039(H)**

Motion by Porter, second by Sehoyan to approve the extension. All in favor. Motion carries.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- None

**STAFF REPORTS**

- **ROS20-056(H) Little Stone Church Like for Like Repairs**

Dombroski stated this application is for exterior repairs on the church. All repairs are like for like.

- **R320-059-057(H) Island House Employee Housing Like for Like Porch Repair**

Dombroski stated that applicant would like to do repairs to the front porch that was damaged by fire. The repair is like for like.

**OLD BUSINESS****• MD20-010-026(H) Amendment for New Tower and Camera for 911**

Rentrop stated that the proposed amendment for a new tower will require Section 106 approval. The applicant would like approval to do the foundation only, for the tower. Rentrop stated he is not opposed to allowing approval for the footing only. Neumann stated he is OK with the footing work. Bryce Tracy stated the current tower was installed in 2009 and has sustained damage over the years. The proposed 800 Mhz system already has an FCC license with the State. The amended tower is proposed to be anywhere from 48' to 60' tall. The applicant is proposing the 60' to accommodate the possible installation of the Enbridge camera. Mackinac County has made no decision on working with Enbridge but made the proposal in the event they do work together. The 911 system only needs a 50' tower. Straus asked if the proposed tower is strong enough for the camera. Tracy stated yes. Porter requested a rendering, which Bryce provided on page 44 of his application packet. The footing for the tower would be the same for the 48' or 60' tower. Motion by Doud, second by Sehoian to approve the footing only, for the tower amendment. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehoian, Straus, Porter. Nays: None. All in favor. Motion carries. Straus pointed out that there are no photos of the proposed tower with the camera.

**• HB20-050-045(H) Enbridge Energy Roof Top Camera**

Bob Lehto stated that Enbridge intended to continue to gain approval for the Iroquois roof top location. Per Lehto it is the only location that meets their needs for operation. Enbridge is still exploring other options but would prefer the Iroquois. After some discussion <sup>there</sup> ~~that~~ was a Motion by Straus, second by Porter to disapprove the application for the camera on top of the Iroquois Hotel based on the fact that the project does not meet the Design Review Standards and Guidelines of Article V, Historic District, of Ordinance No 443, and the review done by historic architect, Richard Neumann, dated September 28, 2020. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehoian, Straus, Porter. Nays: None. All in favor. Motion carries.

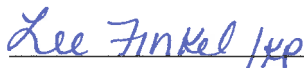
**NEW BUSINESS****• MD20-010-060(H) Catherine McGreevy – Window Sash Replacement**

Dombroski stated that this application is similar to the application approved previously on other windows on the home. Andrew McGreevy stated that he would like to do vinyl sash kits and would eliminate the 3 window panes on the top and do a single pane instead. Neumann asked if there were any historic photos showing what type of windows were there historically. McGreevy believes they have been the triple pane since the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor was added. Neumann suggested an exterior muntin that gives the look of three panes. Motion by Porter, second by Doud to approve the application contingent on the use of the exterior muntin with a spacer, to maintain the three pane look. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehoian, Straus, Porter. Nays: None. All in favor. Motion carries.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Dombroski addressed Straus's question on the tower being able to hold the weight of the camera. Currently the tower has about 6 existing items on it. In previous discussions there was only one item addressed as being on the tower. Dombroski wanted it noted that there are several items currently on the tower. Also, in the back of the submittal package, there is a photograph of a parabolic antenna that is quite a bit larger than the proposed camera. Dombroski's point is that nobody really notices the current tower and antennas.

With no further business there was a Motion by Porter, second by Straus to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 pm.

  
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Lee Finkel, Chairman

  
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Katie Pereny, Secretary