City of Lewisburg Historic Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes ~ January 14, 2019 Paul R. Cooley Council Chambers 942 Washington Street, West, Lewisburg, WV

<u>PRESENT</u>: Commission members David Craddock, Skip Deegans, Donna Johns; Zoning Officer Chuck Smith, Planning & Zoning Clerk Marsha Cunningham, Recording Officer Peggy Mackenzie

ABSENT: Commission Chair Carol Olson, Commission member Paul Lindquist

VISITORS: Sam Argabright, Brandon Black, Tom Mansheim, Toni Ogden, Maria Schleiff, Emil Stalis

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Commission member Skip Deegans, in the absence of Commission Chair Carol Olson, opened the meeting at 5 p.m., with no public comments made.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: The minutes of November 19, 2018 were approved as presented in a motion by Commission member David Craddock and seconded by Commission member Donna Johns. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

Public Hearing: Greenbrier Historical Society, 814 Washington Street West, New doors for the Wagon House to replace the retractable window

North House Museum Coordinator Toni Ogden, with Maria Schleiff, presented a revised design for the new doors for the Wagon House to include plain, flat, poplar panels and rails with linseed oil finish, beneath matching glass panels that line up, top to bottom, with the adjacent side windows. The glazing for the glass panels are attached via the interior side of the doors. Door handles and bolt lock match existing hardware.

A motion to approve as presented was made by Commission member Craddock and seconded by Commission member Johns. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

Public Hearing: Lance Snyer, Court & Stratton LLC, Define Building 4 (now known as Bldgs #7 & #8)

Contractor Sam Argabright with Tom Mansheim presented several changes to one of the buildings in the Court & Stratton Alley project [originally called Bldg 4A and 4B, are now known as Bldgs 7 and 8]. Mansheim said the structure, built in the mid 1950s, which is divided into two spaces to accommodate two separate businesses, was thought to be equal in size, but turned out not to be so. However the exterior of the structure will appear as if the two sides are identical in size with matching doors and windows. The exterior siding color is Benjamin Moore #86 Gray and the doors, window frames, and cornice will be made of Sepele wood, a Brazilian hardwood similar to Mahogany, sealed with a natural, clear finish. Copper k-style gutters and round downspouts complete the application.

A motion to approve as presented was made by Commission member Johns and seconded by Commission member Craddock. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

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Public Hearing: Brandon Black, 137 East Terrace Street,

<u>Replace three exterior doors, replace front and rear decks, install new roofing, remove satellite dish,</u> <u>antenna and gas roof vent, install new gutters and downspouts, replace windows, stain decks in 6</u> <u>months, remove current T11 sheet siding with 7 ³/₄ inch fiber lap siding and remove all shutters.</u>

Owner Brandon Black said the brick, ranch-style residence, built in 1957, is a Sears Kit home, but due to a lot of poorly constructed modifications, does not appear to have much historical value. He plans to make upgrades to the structure, beginning with replacing the outdoor decks, which have rotting wood. He will stain them within 6 months in a redwood stain. After removing the satellite dish, antenna and roof vent, he will install new architectural shingles on the roof in onyx black, and install new seamless, aluminum downspouts and gutters. The existing windows will be replaced with larger windows trimmed in Steely Gray, and the three exterior doors will be Shaker-style wood painted Olympus White, with glassed upper sections. The existing windows will be replaced with Hardiplank painted in Monochrome Gray.

A motion to approve, with the condition that the Hardiplank is painted with the smooth side exposed, was made by Commission member Johns and seconded by Commission member Craddock. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

<u>Public Hearing: New Azimuth LLC, 931 Washington Street, West,</u> <u>Replace four storefront windows of SPHI Interior Design Shop with 5/8 Clear Tempered Safety</u> <u>insulated glass units, trim to be painted same color as currently in place</u>

Deegans stated that due to rotting wood inside the window frame, one of the windows had dropped down a few inches, which is the reason for the application to replace all four of the shop's front and side windows. The work must be done from the interior, Deegans said, and he added that, according to Architectural Consultant Michael Mills, as a condition for approval, if the exterior molding should require replacement, it must be done with like materials with the same profile.

A motion to approve was made by Commission member Johns, and with the above condition, Commission member Craddock amended the motion and seconded it. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

Public Hearing: Bodies in Motion, 102 S. Lafayette Street,

<u>Colors and materials approval only – Vertical Cedar siding and stucco, windows with dark bronze trim</u> <u>and casing, and the structure holding the porches to match the trim described above,</u> <u>per approval from the Planning Commission</u>

Zoning Officer Chuck Smith stated that as a new project and a new structure in the downtown area, it

triggers a site plan, generating a review by the Planning Commission. The City code, he said, states that all new commercial structures cannot dispose of storm water off site, requiring that any water drainage must be equal to or less than pre-development. He said this requirement may seem odd for the downtown area, since all the other commercial structures currently dispose of their runoff water into the streets. Johns noted the design for building has a contemporary look, similar to The Livery and the City of Lewisburg Historic Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes ~ January 14, 2019

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structures at Montwell Commons. As a major infill project, Deegans said he would like to have all HLC members, including architect Tia Bouman, the owners, consultant Mills and storm water consultants meet to review the project plans. He suggested the commission table the application until the next HLC meeting.

A motion to table was made by Commission member Craddock and seconded by Commission member Johns. With three (3) in favor and two (2) absent, the motion carried.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP</u>: Deegans announced that the John Wesley Methodist Church in Lewisburg received a grant of \$25,000 from the James F.B. Peyton Fund. Together with an earlier grant of \$10,000 received last year, Deegans said the copula project can get underway.

Smith said he had no comments to add. The next meeting will be held February 11, 2019, with a deadline of January 25, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. in a motion be Commission member Johns and was seconded by Commission member Craddock.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Mackenzie Recording officer