

City of Lewisburg
Historic Landmarks Commission Regular Session and Public Hearings
Meeting Minutes — July 10, 2023, 5:00 p.m.
942 Washington Street West, Lewisburg, WV
Paul L. Cooley Council Chambers

PRESENT: Chairperson David Craddock; Commissioners Donna Johns, William Deegans, Adrienne French and Clifford Gillilan; Planning and Zoning Officer Marsha Cunningham; HLC consultant Michael Mills; City Manager Misty Hill; Recording Officer Tina Alvey.

ABSENT: None.

VISITORS: Mayor Beverly White, Leighann Hudson, Jessica Hall, Anne Knight, Colin Rose, Mike Tremann.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson David Craddock..

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Commissioner Clifford Gillilan moved approval of the June 12, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Donna Johns. The motion passed 5-0.

***Public Hearing:** Jessica Chestnut-Hall, 1599 Washington Street East. Detached garage structure, changed siding and roofing to a metal roof, wood trim and hardy plank siding..*

Planning and Zoning Officer Marsha Cunningham explained that the work described in the application had already been done without benefit of a permit or application. She said the applicant appeared this evening to ascertain if the work meets the standard set by city regulations.

Applicant told the Commission that the garage had previously been roofed with green shingles, but that roofing had been replaced with black metal ribbed panels. HLC consultant Michael Mills pointed out that he hasn't seen a sample of the metal roofing. Commissioner William Deegans said the HLC had once approved similar roofing on a building that couldn't be seen off-premises; that was the only time such roofing gained HLC approval, he said.

Craddock said since all of the materials and work except for the metal roofing met the standards set in HLC guidelines, the Commission could now approve the remainder of the application, except for the garage roof.

Commissioner Clifford Gillilan moved approval of the application, with the exception of the garage roof replacement, seconded by Deegans and approved 5-0. Craddock advised the applicant to contact Cunningham for further guidance and reminded the applicant of the need for a building permit.

***Public Hearing:** Jennifer Hamilton, 413 Randolph Street. New hanging sign and door sign, new awning and lights. Replacement of vinyl shutters with wood shutters to match the existing wood color.*

The applicant's employee, Leighann Hudson, confirmed Cunningham's description of the new sign and new frosted front door that would be installed at Hamilton Orthodontics upon approval by the Commission.

Deegans made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Johns. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

***Public Hearing:** Mike Tremann, 1621 Washington Street East. Replace the existing shed with a 12x24' side-lofted shed that will have a Burnished Slate metal roof with a Snow Bound trim..*

The applicant told the Commission that the existing storage shed is "in dire need of replacement." He said the previous owners had housed goats in the structure, which is located far in the backyard of his home.

Gillilan moved approval of the application, seconded by Johns and approved 5-0.

***Public Hearing:** Virginia Land Company, 900 Washington Street West. Cedar shiplap siding (painted same color as rest of the building) and add faux brick veneer to cover cinderblock foundation.*

Speaking on behalf of the company, Anne Knight said the plan to spruce up what is known as the "Moore Building" includes using veneer brick on the foundation rather than whole bricks, due to the weight of the latter. She said the building, which was once blue, is now painted tan.

Johns moved approval of the application, seconded by Commissioner Adrienne French and approved 5-0.

***Public Hearing:** Colin Rose, 730 Jefferson Street South. Design approval is sought for a garage addition, porch and Hardiplank siding.*

Applicant said the project will use shingles that match the existing materials. He is aware that he will need to secure a variance before proceeding.

Gillilan moved approval of the design, seconded by Deegans and approved 5-0.

COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER AND MAYOR: City Manager Misty Hill advised the Commission that she and Mills expect work on the new billboard to conclude within the next seven days. In addition, the bank has granted parking space for the new stage which will be situated in the Green Space; ground will be broken for the stage in the spring. The Lafayette Street sidewalk project was bid out twice, and the city negotiated with the state on which entity would pay what, resulting in the city's match being \$63,000. Hill also noted that since no maps exist of the city's older water, sewer and gas lines, progress on replacement is slow.

Mayor Beverly White welcomed French to the Commission and thanked Gillilan for continuing his service on the panel.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Johns, seconded by Gillilan, and approved 5-0, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Alvey
Recording Officer