

Village of Kinderhook
Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting on June 18, 2015

Present: R. Piwonka, Chairperson; R. Blackburn, R. Dawkins,
K. Neilson, T. Husband, G. Smith, Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: R. Puckett, Trustee Liaison

Others Present: Representing the Library: Annalee Giraldo, Gary Spielmann,
Paul Mays - Architect

Workshop: 18 Hudson St/Kinderhook Memorial Library/Reading Room Addition

- Paul Mays, Architect, presented the Historic Preservation Commission with project layouts of the exterior, interior, and artist rendering of the proposed Reading Room addition for the Kinderhook Memorial Library.
- The Kinderhook Memorial Library is currently preparing a grant application through the NYS Division of Library Development, with a submittal date August 5th. It is the intent of the library to maintain the historic integrity of the building while adding much needed space. The library has been providing service to the community over the last 82 years, with its current count at 59,000 visits per year.
- The proposed Reading Room will connect to the existing building on the east side facing Sylvester Street, addition will total approximately 450 square feet, existing library building is 2,234 square feet, for a total of 2,684 square feet. Upon completion of the master plan, expected square footage should be 6,400 square feet.
- The proposed addition will extend 15 feet from the existing building with setbacks of 3 feet from each of the building's corners, leaving the original mass of the main building and gables visible. The proposed addition will be 30 feet from north to south.
- Interior entrance into the proposed Reading Room from the main library will be made by enlarging the existing window openings, converting them into multi-pane doors with sidelights. These doors will allow "quiet" space, especially when programs are in progress. (Last year the library conducted 306 programs.) The floor level of the addition will match the existing building floor level. They anticipate leaving the brick face on the exterior west side wall of the existing building, making the original building visible from within the interior of the proposed Reading Room addition.

- Materials: the proposed Reading Room would be primarily windows (conservatory look), 12 over 12 double hung, divided lights. Marvin wood windows are an option and would require maintenance. Another option would be an aluminum clad window, better maintenance issue for the library over the long term and it maintains its coloring. White color pallet to match existing window color would be used. Painted raised panels with routed patterning, similar to the shutters, would be below the windows on the exterior side. No brick masonry would be on this addition. Wood could be used on exterior, which requires maintenance, or some type of cementitious fiber board (aka Hardie board) or cellular PVC products (aka Tanza) with low maintenance. K. Neilson noted when using these products for corners and detail work, they can be a difficult products to use. P. Mays stated that companies do provide on-site training techniques/tips for installers when using their products.
- The hipline roof on the proposed addition would fall right under the horizontal cornice line that runs across the building, not interfering with any of the architectural elements of the building itself. Roof would be standing seam metal roof. Both existing chimneys are functioning chimneys, they may consider gas inserts in the future for ease of use and for safety reasons.
- Lawn area will be remain between the proposed addition and the white picket fence. The fence, sign, sidewalks, and trees all would remain in place.
- This proposed addition is the first phase, a "standalone" for grant purposes. The funding is ready for this phase and approval from the HPC is needed for the grant application. This is a matching grant, no greater than 50%, and grant will not cover furnishings, landscaping, nor general maintenance, only the construction portion of the project. This is the 2nd year of this grant program, the library applied last year and received a grant to improve the electrical utilities to the building, which is being done inline with the master plan so that the new service panels will be designed for the extension. Also, an application for the proposed addition will be sent to New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) as directed by the Division of Library Development. The HPC request the Library share the outcome/comments that SHPO provides upon their review of the project with the HPC.
- The HPC has requested the library submit with their application literature, photographs, and samples of products to be used on the proposed addition. R. Blackburn requested a sample of the window sash for both types of materials - wood and aluminum. G. Smith requested the site plan include the setbacks, since the library borders a residential area.
- Phase two will be presented to the HPC as funding becomes available. It was noted that there will be no changes to the front of the existing building.
- G. Smith offered to provide a digital copy of the code book if needed.

R. Piwonka brought the meeting to order at: 7:52 pm

Minutes: Motion made to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 21, 2015. Motion: K. Neilson, second; R. Piwonka. Motion carried.

Funds Available: \$2,000.00

Correspondence: None

OLD BUSINESS

- Signage - K. Neilson would like to complete the sign matrix by filling in the column "HP" that which is applicable to the Historic District. Aggregate dimensions are questionable for double sided signs. May need to remove "aggregate" and keep with sign dimensions only. K. Neilson suggested adding the following language: "All signs in the Historic District need to be approved by the Historic Preservation Commission."

NEW BUSINESS

- None

OTHER MATTERS OF DISCUSSION

- R. Piwonka announced her resignation as Chair of the HPC and nominated K. Neilson and T. Husband to Co-Chair. Motion made to accept R. Piwonka's resignation, with regret, and nominate K. Neilson and T. Husband as Co-Chairs to the HPC. Motion: R. Dawkins, Second; R. Blackburn. Motion carried.

Next meeting scheduled for July 16, 2015.

Motion to adjourn: 8:11 Motion: T. Husband, Second; R. Dawkins. Motion carried.

Jacqueline Bujanow, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission