

Village of Kinderhook
Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting - November 16, 2023
In-Person Meeting - Village Hall

Present: Randal Dawkins - Acting Chair, Elizabeth Martin, Lisa Weilbacker - Alternate Member

Absent: Tim Husband, Ken Neilson, Sean Sawyer

Others Present: Quinn Murphy - Village Liaison, Sam Breschi, David Campbell, Sam Chapin, Jenny Endresen, Geri Hatfield, John Hatfield, Barry Knights, Dorothy Novak, Joseph Olejak, Renee Shur, Jim Smith, Christopher Ventura

Workshop: -

R. Dawkins brought the Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Motion made for L. Weilbacker to be seated as the Alternate Member at tonight's Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, November 16, 2023.
Motion: E. Martin; Second: R. Dawkins. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion made to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2023.
Moved: E. Martin; Second: L. Weilbacker. Motion carried.

Funds Remaining: \$1,263.85

Correspondence: Received email from Village Clerk, Nicole Heeder, with training dates provided for employees & volunteers to complete mandatory training on Harassment & Discrimination. The email has been forwarded to the Commission members and alternate member.

Website Redesign - received email providing information regarding the Kinderhook Village website redesign. Request for 8 to 10 FAQs by 12/29/2023 for drop downs in the HPC section of the website requested by Village Clerk, Nicole Heeder.

Old Business: CLG Grant Update - E. Martin stated she will provide information at the next meeting of the HPC.

New Business: 6 Hudson St/Sign/Catherine Zack & Sam Breschi
Mr. Breschi presented his application for a double sided 24” round sign made with MDO (medium density overlay) plywood to be created and installed by Matthew Signs. Sign to read “Village Yoga”. Bracket to be fasten to the wood panel over the building door and sign will be approximately 11 feet off the ground.

Motion made to approve the 24” round “Village Yoga” sign as designed and presented in the application meeting criteria in Chapter 75-7B (2) and 75-7C (1, 2, 3 & 4).

Motion: L. Weilbacker; Second: E. Martin. Motion carried.

\$10 check received for Application Fee.

21 Albany Ave/Screening/Christopher Ventura

R. Dawkins drove by the property at 21 Albany Ave, the pipe is painted and barely noticeable, plantings are in ground for screening, and notice was taken on the pictures presented in Mr. Ventura’s application of other properties within the Historic District without screening of their mini-split units. R. Dawkins apologized to Mr. Ventura since he did not need to come before the HPC with his application and no motion is needed. As a result, no Application Fee was collected.

29 Hudson St/Shepherd’s Hut/Jenny Endresen

Ms. Endresen along with David Campbell presented her application for the use of her Shepherd’s Hut for an art studio/writer’s shed as well as for storage of miscellaneous garden tools. Ms. Endresen also provided with her application numerous documents and photos regarding the history of Shepherd Huts.

R. Dawkins stated he has no problem with the Shepherd’s Hut, presently a mobile structure to be converted to a permanent accessory structure. L. Weilbacker questioned if the wheels will be removed or if the hut will stay intact with the wheels in place. Commission members agreed that the wheels should remain in place to keep its original appearance. R. Dawkins requested the supporting structure to make the Shepherd’s Hut a permanent structure be as invisible as possible. Ms. Endresen said she had talked with the Code Enforcement Officer, Trevor Bean, regarding what she could use to make the structure permanent. In addition, discussion of landscaping, flagstone, rock walls were also mentioned with the intent of keeping the aesthetics of the structure.

Resident Barry Knights requested to speak on behalf of Ms. Endresen. He expressed concern in regard to other Village residents who have gazebos and “she

sheds” that have a heat source in them and are being used to sleep in and he appreciates the Commission working with Ms. Endresen when others have made it challenging.

R. Dawkins clarified that this is the first time Ms. Endresen has come before the HPC for this matter. It was stated that it is now up to Ms. Endresen to work with the Code Enforcement Officer in order to make the Shepherd’s Hut a permanent accessory structure.

Motion made to approve the Shepherd’s Hut with its wheels revealed in order to keep its historic character meeting criteria in Chapter 75-7B (3) and 75-7C (2 & 4).

Motion: E. Martin; Second: L. Weilbacker. Motion carried.

\$10 check received for Application Fee.

Procedures: -

Other: E. Martin requested a Special Meeting of the Commission in regard to the Albany Avenue Project. It was requested to meet on Tuesday, November 28th at 4:30 in the Village Hall. J. Bujanow to check with the Village Clerk for Village Hall availability, posting, and meeting recording.

Next meeting scheduled for December 21, 2023.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:27 pm.

Motion: R. Dawkins; Second: E. Martin. Motion carried.



Jacqueline Bujanow, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission