

# VILLAGE OF KINDERHOOK

## AGENDA

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

#### Regular Meeting

May 16, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

In-Person Meeting - Kinderhook Village Hall

Meeting Documents available at Kinderhook Village Website using link below:

<https://villageofkinderhook.org/hpcdocuments.html>

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- III Approval of April 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
- IV Funds Remaining
- V Correspondence
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  - 18 Albany Ave - Roof
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  - Update - CLG Grant
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- VIII Procedures
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- IX Next Regular Meeting - June 20, 2024
- X Adjourn

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**Village of Kinderhook  
Historic Preservation Commission  
Regular Meeting - May 16, 2024  
In-Person Meeting - Village Hall**

**Present:** Tim Husband-Chair, Ken Neilson-Vice Chair, Randal Dawkins, Elizabeth Martin, Sean Sawyer

**Absent:** Susan Patterson-HPC Liaison

**Others Present:** Trevor Bean-Code Enforcement Officer, Victoria Bell, Hillary D'Argenzio, Astrid Montagano, Lisa Weilbacker-Alternate HPC Member, Dorene Weir-Mayor

T. Husband brought the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Workshops:** None

**Minutes:** Motion made to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2024. Moved: K. Neilson; Second: E. Martin. Motion carried.

**Funds Remaining:** \$392.11

**Correspondence:** **15 Albany Ave/Canopy**

A photo of 15 Albany Ave from *Kinderhook Village Beautiful* of 1910 was received, photo shows the canopy on the home at that point in time. All pictures of homes from this photo collection will be added to the HPC file folders, T. Husband to scan in high resolution.

Victoria Bell, homeowner, discussed the application process, the possibility of application denial, and the appeal process to the Village Board based on the outcome of their workshop at the February HPC Meeting in regard to their front canopy removal. V. Bell mentioned there would be other projects and was unsure which would need to come before the HPC. It was noted that at the homeowners

workshop in February the final minutes indicate those projects mentioned at that time and those which needed to come before the HPC. V. Bell will print out February minutes from the website for her review of those projects.

**18 Albany Ave/Roof** - Code Enforcement Officer informed the HPC of an in-kind roof replacement.

**15 Chatham St/Roof** - Code Enforcement Officer issued a stop work order due to a roof replacement without a permit and informed the HPC the roof was an in-kind replacement.

**Old Business:**

**CLG Grant Update** - E. Martin stated the HPC received 2 grant proposals and both are within the budget. E. Martin has reached out to both firms to be sure they will be able to meet the deadlines. If the deadlines are questionable, the possibility of pulling back on the scope and not have a draft nomination created may be needed. SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) has reviewed both proposals and will assist E. Martin in modifying the scope in order for a September completion.

E. Martin had requested the Commission look over the 2 proposals received and relay their input to her.

Mayor Weir informed the HPC that after discussing the grant with the Village Clerk this project has to stop until the following documents are received:

- Signed application
- Outline of the grant requirements
- Budget \$ - E. Martin stated the National Park Service will provide \$20,000 and the Village would provide \$2,000 per Mayor Abrams.

Mayor Weir was unaware of the approval of this grant in 2022 by the Village Board and the next Village Board meets in June, next month, if approval is needed. Mayor Weir will look back through the Village Board minutes for prior approval.

J. Bujanow will look through the HPC minutes for HPC approval to forward to Village Board.

E. Martin to provide signed application and outline of the grant requirements as requested by Mayor Weir and will place documents in Village drop box tomorrow.

Mayor Weir stated the protocol for grant applications are as follows:

- HPC should have made a motion for the grant application to move forward to the Village Board
- Village Board would then approve
- Village funds would then need to be included in budget

Discussion was had on the two firms and T. Husband noted for the record a recommendation would not be accepted at tonight's meeting by the Mayor. Mayor Weir requests that the grant documents need to be received by the Village and all completed processes need to be in place.

**5 Broad St/Fence/Ty McCormick**

A public hearing has been scheduled and should be resolved at the next Zoning Board meeting.

**New Business:**

**16 Hudson St/Sign/Raymond & Hillary D'Argenzio**

Hillary D'Argenzio presented her application for a circular, HDU (High Density Urethane) sign, 16 sq. ft, to be hung to the upper right of the entrance. Sign to read "Isola Wine and Tapas".

Motion to approve a sign at 16 Hudson St meeting criteria in Chapter 75-7C (1, 2, 3, & 4).

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

\$10 application fee received. Receipt provided at meeting to applicant.

**Procedures:**

**Chapter 75**

The Commission discussed the language previously presented and which T. Husband had suggested adding "if deemed appropriate" to the new proposed language.

II. DEFINITIONS which reads:

"**Ordinary Repair and Maintenance** shall mean the act or process of preserving the features of a building, a structure or an object by consolidation or by replacement (in whole or part) in like kind, which does not change the form, material, or texture of the features."

should be amended to read:

"**Ordinary Repair and Maintenance** shall mean the act or process of preserving the features of a building, a structure or an object by consolidation or by replacement (in whole or part) in like kind, which does not change the form, material, or texture of the features, **unless reverting to an earlier historic condition documented by photograph or other unambiguous evidence.**"

This change is necessary to provide property owners with a possible alternative to replacing an inappropriate condition in kind. (10 Albany Avenue, as a example)

- R. Dawkins was in agreement to adding "if deemed appropriate".

- E. Martin questioned who determines what is and isn't appropriate. The response was the HPC. E. Martin continued with the importance of significance over time and adding the phrase may negate it.
- S. Sawyer highlighted the need for discussion surrounding the language in "red" above.
- K. Neilson noted if someone comes in with earlier time period documentation, HPC reviews, and a decision would then be made.
- R. Dawkins upon hearing further discussion was in agreement with with the majority of the Commission.

Final discussion and consensus is to leave Chapter 75 as is with no changes to be made.

T. Husband commented about features that have acquired historic significance which come under the guidelines of rehabilitation as opposed to restoration. However, under the Secretary of the Interior Guidelines for restorations, it has different language. E. Martin stated the HPC falls under the Secretary of the Interior Guidelines for rehabilitation for CLGs. Discussion continued on the standards and significance over a period of time, 50+ years is the timeframe.

V. Bell commented on the interpretation of the guidelines and significance of time, layers, etc. Discussion continued regarding 15 Albany Ave/Canopy. The Commission recommended homeowners fill out an application and present before the HPC for discussion.

**Other:**

**6 Broad St/Railings** - discussion/questions surrounding railings that were recently installed. Request was made for the original application and minutes be pulled for review.

**Albany Ave Project** - E. Martin requested discussion about the Albany Ave project, in particular the HPC letter that was sent to the Village Board. The letter was issued to the Village Board under Mayor Abrams, it was read at the Village Board meeting, however, no formal response was received by the HPC. Mayor Weir will check to see if a response was issued. E. Martin would like to share that same letter to SHPO and the DOT (Department of Transportation) so they understand the road improvement project. It was noted that Federal funds make us eligible for exemption under the National Register.

Motion for E. Martin to send the letter that had been previously sent to the Village Board to SHPO and DOT.

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

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Next meeting scheduled for June 20, 2024.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:01 pm.

Moved: S. Sawyer; Second: E. Martin. Motion carried.

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Historic Preservation Commission