

MINUTES
NAPERVILLE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
March 25, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Center Meeting Rooms B and C

Call to Order	<u>Time:</u>	(7:05 pm)	
A. Roll Call	<u>Present:</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Commissioners:	Kris Hartner	X	
	Jamie Smith	X	
	Larry Larsen	X	
	Heidi Schoeneck		X
	Thomas Ryan, Jr.	X	
	Duane Wilson	X	
	Tim Messer	X	
	(Non-voting NHS* Representative) Debbie Grinnell	X	
	(Non-voting Student Member) Claire Mildrum		X
Staff Present:	Ying Liu – Community Planner Samula McCarthy – Administrative Assistant		
B. Approve Minutes 1/28/10	The minutes of the previous meeting were briefly commented on by Duane Wilson and Jamie Smith. Motion to approve with amendment by: Jamie Smith Seconded by: Larry Larsen	Approved (7 to 0)	
C. Old Business – None			
D. Certificate of Appropriateness			
COA 10-0368	<p>Petitioner: Julie and Shane Garrison 151 North Wright Street</p> <p>The owners are requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness to allow construction of a mudroom, dormers and a rear porch, removal of the existing chimney, siding replacement on the existing dormers and replacement of porch elements. Staff provided a memorandum to the Historic Preservation Commission summarizing and recommending approval of the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.</p> <p>Co-petitioner Shane Garrison described the scope of the project, explaining that the limited changes in external appearance were requested to provide enough interior space to add a bathroom and a short hallway on</p>		

* Abbreviation for the Naperville Heritage Society

	<p>the second floor and a mudroom on the first floor, while preserving the overall architectural impact of the Craftsman Bungalow. In response to questions from commissioners and from member of the public Carol Schmidt- of 204 Wright Street, a neighbor on the same corner- the petitioner added that the three over one light-division window style would be continued and the appearance of the original windows would be duplicated using muntins that are attached to the sash as well as the interior and exterior of the glass. The “Jack & Jill” bathroom to be added would be an efficient use of space since it would be accessible from 2 bedrooms, and that the rear dormer would not be as wide as the main roof, however would leave about 5 feet of the original roofline unchanged on either side of the dormer.</p>	
	<p>Motion: to approve COA #10-0368 to allow construction of a mudroom, dormers and a rear porch, removal of the existing chimney, siding replacement on the existing dormers and replacement of porch elements.</p>	
	<p>Motion to approve by: Jamie Smith Seconded by: Larry Larsen</p>	<p>Approved (7 to 0)</p>
<p>E. Reports and Recommendations</p>	<p>1. Historic Building Design and Resource Manual</p> <p>City staff requested that the Historic Preservation Commission receive public comments and provide feedback on the draft Historic Building Design and Resource Manual.</p> <p>Staff introduced the current draft of the Naperville Historic Design and Resource Manual, and thanked all of the individuals who assisted in the editing process, including commissioners, members of the unified recommendation committee and consultants. Any additional comments were then solicited from the commissioners, and the response included the suggestion that an index be added as part of the Appendix.</p> <p>Chairman Kris Hartner then opened the meeting to members of the public to provide their comments on the draft manual. Andrew Thomas Binkowski of 108 N. Loomis St. commented that when he moved in about 6 years ago, he knew the home he bought was in a Historic District because of the banners to that effect on the light poles nearby, but did not know there were rules for how you could or could not change your house. He suggested better communication with, and education of, potential purchasers of a home in the District. Discussion followed concerning the pros and cons of a variety of approaches that had been or could be considered to address this.</p>	

	<p>Mr. Binkowski also stated that with respect to the draft Manual specifically, it was unclear whether the categorization of construction options in the Historic District as Encouraged, Acceptable or Discouraged was a statement of strict rules or an expression of suggestions.</p> <p>Carol Schmidt, representing ECHO, also spoke on this point, agreeing with Mr. Binkowski and emphasizing the importance of clarity in the Resource Manual. Staff commented on the time and budgetary constraints. The upcoming ECHO Annual Meeting on April 12, 2010, was discussed as a possible forum for the city's presentation of the re-revised Manual, and Carol Schmidt inquired about the city mailing a postcard to ECHO residents to notify them about this.</p> <p>The Chairman and city staff expressed their appreciation for the public commentary.</p>	
	<p>Debbie Grinnell of Naperville Historic Society Introduced the Rehabilitation Tax Credit information</p> <p>The Commission expressed support for the Illinois Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Incentive (HB 4823 / SB 2559)</p> <p>A general vote was taken for the recommendation and it was unanimously approved.</p>	
F. Correspondence	Historic Building Design and Resource Manual	
H. Adjournment	Motion to adjourn by: Duane Wilson Seconded by: Tim Messer	Approved (7 to 0)