

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021 AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, MACKINAC ISLAND, MICHIGAN

Chairman Finkel called a regular meeting of the Mackinac Island Historic District to order at 1:04 p.m.

PRESENT: Lee Finkel, Andrew Doud, Lorna Straus, Alan Sehoan, Nancy Porter

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Zoning Administrator, Dennis Dombroski, Architect, Richard Neumann (via Zoom), Attorney, Gary Rentrop (via Zoom)

Motion by Straus, seconded by Doud to approve as written, and place on file the minutes of the regular meeting Tuesday, June 8, 2021. All in favor. Motion carries.

Motion by Doud, seconded by Finkel to approve as amended and place on file the Agenda. The amendment was to add "Verizon Update" to *Old Business*. All in favor. Motion carries.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Finkel stated he had received correspondence from a woman in Bois Blanc regarding the installation of the Enbridge tower on Bois Blanc. *She was opposed to the Enbridge Camera tower, knew it had been disallowed on Mackinac Island, and wanted the same result. Finkel explained that our objection was architectural and as Bois Blanc didn't have an ABC that was not possible there.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Arches Software – Alan Sehoan**

Sehoan stated they have hired two interns from Eastern Michigan University. They will begin the data entry on August 22-26. Sehoan stated they need to determine an annual budget to present to City Council. Accommodations have been set up for the interns so funding needs to be figured out. Neumann stated that the interns are very well qualified and very enthused to begin the work.

STAFF REPORTS

- C21-044-035(H) Chippewa Hotel Patio Deck and Fence Repairs**

Dombroski stated the applicant would like to repair the deck and vinyl fence, like for like, on the back patio.

- CD21-025-036(H) Largo Skirting Board Replacement**

Dombroski stated the applicant is doing repairs to skirting boards around the entire house.

- MD21-078-037(H) James Chambers Siding Replacement**

Dombroski stated the applicant is replacing rotted siding on the east side of his home.

- **MD21-010-039(H) City of Mackinac Island Police Department Deck and Stair Repair**

Dombroski stated the applicant would like to replace the deck and stairs on the front of the police department building.

Motion by Doud, second by Sehojan to accept the Staff Report. All in favor. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Verizon – Gary Rentrop**

Rentrop stated that the following problems exist with Verizon: They skipped SHPO to determine adverse effect, they filed with SHPO without informing the City of Mackinac Island, they made misrepresentations to SHPO, the plan which is part of the signed Agreement has been revised three times without any notification to the City, and additional antennas have been added in the plan to Mission Point. The Mission Point and Chippewa Hotel SHPO applications have been withdrawn and will be submitted with the correct information. Rentrop suggested setting up an escrow account to cover the additional fees being incurred by Verizon, spearheaded by numerous changes. certain representatives of

NEW BUSINESS

- **C21-058-041(H) Gale-Decked Out Dock & Alteration to Rear of Building**

This application was originally approved three years ago, but for various reasons the applicant was not able to complete the job. Dombroski stated the job includes building sheet pile seawall and replacing the deck. The applicant is altering the shops as well. Finkel asked if DNR approval was needed for the dock repair. Gale stated that it was not since the dock is existing. Neumann wrote a favorable review and stated that significant changes would occur, but the appearance would still be appropriate to the building and the District. Motion by Sehojan, second by Porter to approve the application. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehojan, Straus, Porter. Nays: None. All in favor. Motion carries.

- **C21-044-042(H) Chippewa Hotel-Stair Replacement on Rear of Building**

Both sets of stairs on the back deck were replaced. The stairway was widened. The work is complete. Motion by Doud, second by Finkel to approve the application. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehojan, Straus. Nays: None. Porter recused herself. All in favor. Motion carries.

- **HB21-050-016(H) Iroquois Hotel New Dock**

Barnwell stated he started the process for this dock in 2015, at which time the dock was not part of the historic district. A letter was written agreeing to get the project reviewed even though it was not originally in the historic district. Rentrop spoke to SHPO and they all agreed the dock has no adverse effect. Neumann wrote a favorable review and stated it was a positive addition by creating

another dock and therefor reinforcing the maritime feel of the island and will be harmonious but distinct. Doud informed the applicant if they were thinking of adding water to the dock, they should check with Allen Burt, DPW. Motion by Sehoan, second by Doud to approve the

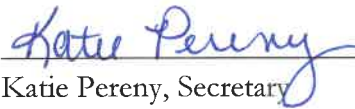
application. Roll call vote: Ayes: Doud, Finkel, Sehoan, Straus, Porter. Nays: None. All in favor. Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT

With no further business there was a Motion by Sehoan, second by Doud to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carries. Meeting was adjourned at 1:47 pm.



Lee Finkel, Chairman



Katie Pereny, Secretary