

Village of Kinderhook
Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting - July 18, 2024
In-Person Meeting - Village Hall

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

Absent: -

Others Present: Victoria Bell & David Marden, Susan Patterson-HPC Liaison, Lisa Weilbacker-Alternate HPC Member, (Barry Herbold, Maryana Wills in attendance for a portion of the meeting)

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

Workshops:

15 Albany Ave/Windows, Roofline, Gutters/David Marden & Victoria Bell

David Marden and Victoria Bell presented their plans for discussion to the Commission regarding the following exterior renovations:

- Potemkin Wall - possible change to front facade by removing the “potemkin wall” as shown on east elevation (see pages 14 & 15 of documents presented). Homeowners would like to remove the wall and reveal the roof’s natural slope. The roof also needs to be repaired.
 - R. Dawkins noted by removing the wall the existing decorative pilaster would also be removed which would then no longer give the front of the house its unified appearance, the existing structure is better than the proposed shed roof.
 - Since the roof will have to be repaired, D. Marden stated the potemkin wall may have to be removed for roof repairs and then would be reinstalled.
- Casement Windows - casement windows on front potemkin wall and north side, first floor, (see page 16) to be replaced with same style casement windows due to water seepage.
- Door - possibly moving and centering the north side door, (see page 16). Moving and centering the door would eliminate the second casement window to the left of the door and leave a blank space to the right of the door. Discussion was had as to adding another window to the right of the door in

the newly created blank space as a result of the proposed centering of the door. Although the door is not currently visible from the public way due to a hedge, the hedge is not considered permanent and any changes on the north elevation would need to come before the HPC.

- Window - possibly adding a new 2nd floor window; adding/moving as shown on north elevation page of document, two options (see pages 17 & 18). The Commission preferred the symmetrical appearance on page 18, option #2.
- Gutters - proposed replacing gutters in kind
- Aluminum Triple Track Screens - homeowners would like to remove and replace aluminum triple track screens with wood frames or composite material which the Commission stated would be acceptable. If using wood, K. Neilson suggested spanish cedar for longevity.

The Commission requested their projects be placed on two applications, one application for windows & doors and one application for gutters and to also include manufacturer cut sheets.

21 Broad St/Windows, Doors/Kinderhook Reformed Church

Although projects are in the preliminary stage of discussion, Susan Patterson informed the Commission of Kinderhook Reformed Church's desire to upgrade/repair the stain glass windows and the side door entrance.

- Stain Glass Windows - washing/repairing of stain glass windows, removal of old and now opaque plexiglass, and possibly replacing the plexiglass with a more modern transparent material if needed.
- Door - existing compliant ADA ramp does not have an ADA compliant door. The door is only accessible from the interior and door needs to swing out.
- Masonry - some masonry work will be needed on back of church

Minutes: Motion made to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2024.
Moved: S. Sawyer; Second: K. Neilson. Motion carried.

Motion made to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2024.
Moved: K. Neilson; Second: R. Dawkins. Motion carried.

Funds Remaining: \$2,670.95
Noted: the \$500 in excess of the CLG grant award will not be funded from the HPC budget line for payment to Simple Design Studio-Architects.

Correspondence: FOIL Request received from Chris van Moessner regarding the Albany Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvement Project and forwarded to Nicole Heeder, Village Clerk, for processing. N. Heeder sent the Commission members and secretary an email requesting any documents related to the project be sent to her for the period January 1, 2024 - June 24, 2024. T. Husband and E. Martin will go

through their emails and will forward what they may have regarding the Albany Ave project to the clerk.

Old Business:

CLG Grant Update - T. Husband, E. Martin, and S. Patterson met with Tiffany Simple and her team, Simple Design Studio-Architects (SDS), yesterday to discuss amending the application of the listing of the National Register which was submitted in 1974 and is woefully inadequate by today's standards. SDS will review all the existing documentation, archival materials, and will consider Cultural Resource Information System (CRIS) for any further pertinent material. SDS will consider whether boundaries warrant expanding or the period of historic significance should be expanded. SDS is expected to perform a survey of all structures/properties within the National Register District on July 31st and August 1st. In the process of doing the survey, SDS will be photographing from the right of way, but, they may need to go on private property as well. SDS will be identifiable by wearing yellow vests. It is essential that notification go out, email blast, website, and public postings in order for residents to know who SDS is, the service they will be providing, and also information to clarify the difference between the National Register District and the local district, benefits, etc. S. Patterson will draft up a flier/info sheet. T. Husband offered to assist with the draft. R. Dawson will check with the post office regarding handling the flier/info sheet. Survey is expected to be complete by September 1st which will allow time for review before the September 30th grant end date.

7 Broad St/Doors/Randal Dawkins

Background information:

R. Dawkins had submitted his application for installation of two exterior 6-panel shutter doors which were approved by the Commission at the June 15, 2023 meeting.

R. Dawkins has since decided on installing two exterior 4-panel shutter doors in place of the 6-panel shutter doors that had been previously approved and which have not been installed to-date. As a result, R. Dawkins is requesting approval to amend the Certificate of Appropriateness from two 6-panel shutter doors to two 4-panel shutter doors.

Motion to amend the Certificate of Appropriateness to reflect the change from two 6-panel shutter doors to two 4-panel shutter doors meeting the same criteria as approved at the June 15, 2023 meeting.

Motion: K. Neilson; Second: E. Martin. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Procedures: None

Other: Follow up to 51 Albany Ave: metal roof is replacement in-kind.

A letter from Mayor Weir to Daniel Mackay, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) dated July 11, 2024 re: Village of Kinderhook Albany Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvement Project was discussed. E. Martin spoke to S. Patterson, Village Board Liaison, during the meeting to clarify the roles of the agencies and the importance of the HPC opinions as they pertain to the project within the National Historic District.

Discussions included:

- Lack of understanding of the role, function, and responsibility of HPC
- Federal funds
- Only two options for consideration were presented to the HPC by the previous administration and the project was underway at that point in time.
- HPC has not delayed the project.
- Thirty day timelines with Dept of Transportation (DOT) and then to SHPO are part of the process. It is hoped that Daniel Mackay will be able to assist in outlining and clarifying the process with the Mayor in response to the Mayor's letter.
- DOT is required by federal law to provide the information regarding the impact of the project on the National Historic District.
- It was suggested that SHPO could come to the Village to meet with the HPC and the Village Board to assist with clarification of the process.
- Letter was unfortunate due to lack of understanding regarding the process.

Next meeting scheduled for August 15, 2024.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:01pm.

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



Jacqueline Bujanow, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission