

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
September 28, 2017**

Chairman Jeff Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was published in The Record and sent to the Star Ledger as well as posted on the Village message board. Roll call was taken. Members present were: Jeff Hoffman and Andre Lam. Not present: Matthew Bilow, Gerard Garofalow, Juan Kuriyama, James Manfredi, Bob Olson and Donna Rose-McEntee.

The minutes of the August 24, 2017, meeting could not be approved as there was no quorum.

APPROVAL NOTES: ANY APPROVALS REMAIN SUBJECT TO THE APPLICANT SECURING CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR ALL WORK REVIEWED BY THIS COMMISSION. ALL APPROVALS FOR SIGNS ARE SUBJECT TO CONFORMANCE WITH ZONING ORDINANCE AND MUST BE APPROVED AS SUCH BY THE ZONING OFFICER.

IF THERE ARE ANY DEVIATIONS TO WHAT IS APPROVED, ANY AND ALL CHANGES MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE HPC PRIOR TO ANY WORK BEING DONE. THIS INCLUDES ANY CHANGES IN PLANS, MATERIAL, COLORS, ETC., WHICH HAVE BEEN GIVEN FINAL APPROVAL BY THE HPC. NOTE: BACKLIT, INTERNALLY LIGHTED, AND NEON SIGNS ARE NOT PERMITTED) LIGHTED/LED SIGNS ARE ONLY PERMITTED IF THEY ARE INSTALLED 2' INSIDE THE WINDOW. NO FLASHING OR SCROLLING LIGHTS/SIGNS PERMITTED.

Public Comments (not pertaining to applications): none at this time

New Business: (17-09-01) The Fire Pit Grill, 9-11 Mt. Vernon Street, submitted an application to replace the face of the 3' x 10' sign at their new location and install their existing 3' x 5' sign on the side of the building.

The 3' x 10' sign will be aluminum panel re-face on existing frame with black background and white lettering reading: The Fire Pit Grill, 201-440-4720 with flames on the bottom of the sign. The sign to be used on the side of the building is the existing sign that was approved at the former location of 256 Main Street. They plan on using the existing floodlight already on the roof. They are not doing anything on the windows other than the "open" sign 2 ft. inside the window.

As there was not a quorum, the application will be sent to all members for their approval to keep the project moving. The application can be informally approved between meetings and then formally approved at the next meeting.

Old Business: (17-07-02) K Bob Grill, 226 Main Street, submitted an application for a new sign as well as painting the exterior of the building black. The new sign will be a flat board sign 14'8" long x 2" with aluminum face in black background (Glidden Onyx Black) with white and yellow ((Behr Laser Lemon) lettering to read: FRIED CHICKEN (white vinyl cutting letters) K BOB (YELLOW ½" raised PVC cutting letters) KOREAN FUSION (white vinyl cutting letters); sign to be mounted to building with L bracket; background to black.

Application was distributed to all members between meetings. Donna Rose-McEntee and James Manfredi vote no on the black color. Bob Olson feels the small panels in the top detail are painted white, which should be satin finish or semi-gloss finish and the white should be in the panels as well. James Manfredi wants to see samples of the colors and notes that the goosenecks should also be repainted in a similar color.

Samples of the colors were provided. They will be emailed to all members for their comments.

Correspondence/Notes/Comments:

A. Correspondence received: None received.

B. Memo sent to Building Dept. to clear up open issues below:

D&S Hair Sensations – 165 Main Street – there is a sign in the window that this location is closed and they are working at the Mt. Vernon Street location only. The signage needs to be removed.

Cintron Law Firm – 167 Main Street – the applicant has never completed the application and the HPC closed the file. They have never received any approval for work done to the outside of the building. Letter was signed for. They were supposed to attend a meeting many months ago but did not come.

Waggy Tails – 219 Main Street – installed signage on window without approval. Letter was signed for. The signage needs to be removed.

Rising Sun – 195 Main Street – has lighted signs in windows and unapproved signage, need to submit application before the HPC.

Dental Office – 174-178 Main Street – very sloppy work, not sure they did the work according to what was approved.

Yun's Cleaners – 168 Main Street – has flashing light sign reading "cleaners" in window that needs to be removed

C. Poles/signs on Main Street – Bob Olson was to make an appointment with Al Locarno. He will get a rough proposal from Wayfinding Products. Funds were encumbered in 2017 to order the products. Funds in the amount of \$3,500.00 were encumbered under PO 15460 in the 2017 budget for signs for the historic district.

D. Donna Rose-McEntee has inquired about the increased use of scrolling and lighting signs in the historic district, even if they are 2 ft. inside the window. Jeff Hoffman said he asked Commissioner MacNeill about the signs and he said as long as they are installed 2 ft. inside the window they are permitted. Commissioner MacNeill was curious as to how and when the 2-ft. rule started. Jeff Hoffman said it pre-dated him as well.

Commissioner MacNeill would like the HPC to look at new posts for the traffic lights so they match the new streetlights plus there will be new talking signs advising pedestrians when to cross. Commissioner MacNeill was hoping the HPC could take this on as a project. This will need to wait for a quorum.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Jeff Hoffman and seconded by Andre Lam to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

The next meeting will be October 28, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Building Dept./Zoning Board
The Fire Pit Grill (9-11 Mt. Vernon Street)
K-Bob Grill (226 Main Street)