

MINUTES
April 13, 2020
Historic Preservation Commission – Remote Meeting
City of Batavia

Please **NOTE:** These minutes are not a word-for-word transcription of the statements made at the meeting, nor intended to be a comprehensive review of all discussions. They are intended to make an official record of the actions taken by the Committee/City Council, and to include some description of discussion points as understood by the minute-taker. They may not reference some of the individual attendee's comments, nor the complete comments if referenced.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chair Hohmann called the virtual meeting to order at 5:30pm. The meeting was held via GoToWebinar. Residents were welcomed to register to attend the meeting or dial into the meeting.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Chair Hohmann; Vice-Chair Hagemann; Commissioners Faivre, Krawczyk, Bus, Sherer, and Saam

Members Absent:

Also Present: Laura Newman, City Administrator; Scott Buening, Director of Community Development; Jeff Albertson, Building Commissioner and Jennifer Austin-Smith, Recording Secretary

3. Approval of Minutes: January 13, 2020

Motion: To approve the minutes from January 13, 2020

Maker: Saam

Second: Hagemann

Voice Vote: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent
All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Items to be Removed, Added or Changed

There were no items to be removed, added or changed.

5. Matters From the Public (for items not on the agenda)

There were no members from the public to address the Commission.

**6. COA Review: 114 East Wilson Street, Boardwalk Shops, Siding Revision
Wall Sign Installation (Aubrey Signs, applicant)**

Bob Hansen, Batavia MainStreet, addressed the Commission. He stated that this COA review is to change the appearance of the Boardwalk shops. Hansen explained that the contractor who offered free labor has not been returning any calls for the past month. In order to save money with the labor costs increased they are proposing vinyl siding in place of the wood siding. The vinyl siding would be residential siding in muted colors of light green, light blue and tan. This switch in materials would help the project stay within budget.

Motion: To approve the COA as presented
Maker: Sherer
Second: Krawczyk
Roll Call Vote: **Aye:** Sherer, Bus, Saam, Faivre, Krawczyk, Hagemann, Hohmann
Nay: None
7-0 Vote, 0 Absent, All in favor. Motion carried.

7. Updates:

1. 7 East Wilson Street – Historic Inspection
2. Anderson Block Building – Masonry Maintenance
3. Significant Historic Building Inspection Program
4. 10/12 North River Street – Historic Inspection
5. 227 West Wilson Street – Historic Inspection
6. 8 North River Street – Historic Inspection
7. 16 East Wilson Street – Historic Inspection
8. Certified Local Government

Albertson reported that 129 South Batavia Avenue has been removed from the list. He explained that the property owner has completed all of the items the City asked him to do and he did a great job with the improvements to 129 South Batavia Avenue.

Albertson stated that he would be working with the other property owners on what needs to be completed. He has not met with property owners at this time but plans on doing so once the stay-in-place order is lifted. Chair Hohmann requested if the property owner is not getting the work done to find out if there is any way the City could assist in completion.

Buening reported that the Certified Local Government application would soon be completed. He explained that the Mayor has to reappoint all HPC members. The Mayor will also need to sign an official letter of submission.

8. Other Business

There was no other business to address at this time.

9. Adjournment

There being no other business to discuss, Chair Hohmann asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53pm; Made by Vice-Chair Hagemann; Seconded by Sherer. Motion carried.