

City of Evansville Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
3rd Floor, City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI 53536

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order.** Stephans called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
2. **Roll Call:**

Members	Present/Absent	Others Present
Chair Dan Stephans	P	
Vice-chair Gene Lewis	P	Shawn Miller, Applicant
Aimee Stano	P	Marry Libby, Applicant
Katie Sacker	P	Alan Titus, Applicant
Norman Barker	P	Janis Taylor, Applicant
Cheryl Doerfer	P	
Steve Christens	P	

3. **Motion to approve the agenda by Christens, second by Barker. Motion carried unanimously.**
4. **Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the August 16 meeting and approve them as printed Motion by Christens, seconded by Stano, motion carried unanimously.**
5. **Civility Reminder.** Stephans noted the City’s commitment to civil discourse.
6. **Citizen appearances and Public Presentations.**
7. **Applications – Action Items:**
 - A. **38 W Main St – Replace Concrete Front Porch with Wood (HPC-2023-0261)**
Applicant Shawn Miller present. The applicant described the project and that he believes the proposal would restore the porch to a more historic appearance. Miller also expressed that the existing porch is a hazard. Some considerations regarding code compliance were discussed. **Motion to approve the application by Christens seconded by Doerfer. Motion carried unanimously.**
 - B. **112 W Church St – Replace Wood Windows with Vinyl (HPC-2023-0273)**
Applicant Mary Libby present along with Alan Titus. Alan Titus stated the portion of the building being discussed was not built until the 1960s and is not contributing. Stephans expressed that the wood is deteriorated enough that they are unrepairable. **Motion to approve the application by Lewis, seconded by Stano. Motion carried unanimously.**

C. 44 W Main St – Replace Back Porch (HPC-2023-0255)

Applicant Janis Taylor present. The applicant expressed that the existing porch was completely rotted. Applicants stated the decking would be the same dimensions and appearance as the other porches on the house. ***Motion to approve the application by Christens, seconded by Barker. Motion carried unanimously.***

8. Discussion Items

Historic Trees

Discussion was held regarding trees in the district and the maintenance of older trees and the importance of native trees.

9. Report of the Community Development Director

10. Correspondence, Comments and Concerns

Discussion was held regarding steel shingles which resemble clay tile shingles. Discussion was also held regarding compiling suggested options for window, siding, and roofing replacements.

11. Next Meeting Date: October 18, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

12. Motion to Adjourn by Christens, second by Sacker. Motion carried unanimously.