

LIBERTY HISTORIC DISTRICT REVIEW COMMISSION
Regular Session Summary

March 17, 2015
5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Grundy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

John Carr, Vern Drottz, Mike Gilmore, Matt Grundy, Clay Lozier, Kelley Wrenn Pozel, and Doug Wilson answered roll call. Jonna Wensel represented staff.

III. Approval of Meeting Summary

Mr. Gilmore made a motion to approve the March 3, 2015 meeting summary. Mr. Carr seconded the motion, which was approved 6-0-1 (Mr. Grundy abstained due to absence.)

IV. HDRC Case 15-003D: Consideration of a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for improvements to the exterior of 312 W. Kansas Street, Dougherty Historic District

Ms. Wensel presented the application as described in the staff report.

Mr. Carr said he appreciated Mr. Personett's attention to detail and said he had done a good job of opening up the back porch at 430 East Kansas Street.

Mr. Wilson asked about the storm windows. Ms. Wensel said the new storms would replace the old storm windows currently on most windows. Mr. Carr said the quality and condition of the existing storms vary.

Mr. Lozier made a motion to approve the application as submitted because it meets the design guidelines. Mr. Gilmore seconded the motion, which was approved 7-0.

V. HDRC Case 14-002L (Amendment): Consideration of a request to amend the Certificate of Appropriateness for improvements to 316 N. Water Street, Lightburne Historic District

Ms. Wensel presented the application as described in the staff report.

Mr. Carr asked if Mr. Personett would be using two separate windows. Ms. Wensel said he was.

Mr. Carr said the design of the stair rail is too contemporary for this house. He would like to see the details of the rail and the newel post.

Mr. Wilson said the spindles should not be attached to the stairs, but rather to a bottom rail.

Mr. Grundy said he would like to see the details of the new window.

Mr. Lozier made a motion to continue the application until further information is provided. Mr. Carr seconded the motion, which was approved 7-0.

Other Business

a. Alterations to 100 W. Kansas

Ms. Wensel said this property is not in a historic district, but because it may benefit from the Chapter 353 program, the HDRC is informed of it.

Mr. Wilson said he likes the Tudor look of it, and it would be preserved if it were in a historic district.

Mr. Lozier said the building was formerly a gas station and garage, so the proposed doors would be appropriate. He believes the applicant will do a good job.

Mr. Carr said he liked the faux Tudor look of the building, but is not opposed to the changes.

Mr. Gilmore said he believed that nothing on the building of significance would be altered.

b. Miscellaneous matters from the Commission

Mr. Carr said that no changes had been made at 27 S. Jewell Street.

Mr. Lozier asked about retaining walls on Liberty Drive. Ms. Wensel said that the walls are not as the HDRC had recommended. She has discussed it with Public Works staff, who have agreed that the HDRC's recommendation should be given more consideration.

c. Miscellaneous matters from staff

Ms. Wensel said that the retaining wall approved for 306 Harrison has been reduced to a small portion of the proposed wall. It will no longer line the front sidewalk, but will frame a portion of the south lawn.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Grundy adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.