

**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, September 7, 2022, 7:00 P.M.
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Historic District Commission was called to order by Gary Roberts, Chairman, at 7:01 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Brassfield, Alek Kokoszka, Gary Roberts, Jill Wilke, Laura Witty
Absent: Gayle Timmis, Alex Stchekine
Also Present: Bill Dinnan, Building Official, Roger Fraser, Village Administrator, Dana Hughes, Village Clerk

III. NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Roberts opened the floor for nominations for Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary positions. Nominations are as followed:

- **Kokoszka nominated Gary Roberts as Chairman.**
- **Roberts nominated Mike Brassfield as Vice Chairman.**
- **Roberts nominated Laura Witty as Secretary.**

Ayes: Brassfield, Kokoszka, Wilke, Witty, Roberts

Nays: Stchekine, Timmis

Absent: None

Motion carried.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Witty, seconded by Kokoszka to approve the agenda, as amended to include the following items under New Business D. Email Protocol, E. Historic District Study Committee Brief Update and F. Building Conditions.

Ayes: Brassfield, Kokoszka, Wilke, Witty, Roberts

Nays: Stchekine, Timmis

Absent: None

Motion carried.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of July 6, 2022

Motion by Kokoszka, seconded by Wilke to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 6, 2022, as presented and amended.

Ayes: Brassfield, Kokoszka, Wilke, Witty, Roberts
Nays: Stchekine, Timmis
Absent: None
Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider 26111 Carol Ave. Fence Application

Michael Stein, the homeowner, came before the Commission a few years ago for a big addition. Now he is here for a fence. He has lived in this house since 1980. He has had a lot of trees come down recently because of some of the other larger trees were cut down. He had a temporary fence from when the addition was done. But when the trees came down, that fence was rendered useless. So, he replaced a fence that was there for years with a split old split rail. The fence itself follows the village guidelines regarding height, opacity, style materials, and all that. He spoke to Bill Dinnan, Building Official, a couple of times about the fence and Karl Woodard, the Code Enforcement Officer, came out and came out took pictures.

Discussion:

- A. This is a replacement of an existing fence.
- B. The materials are pressurized treated wood.
- C. It is consistent with the other fences that are out there.

Motion by Witty, seconded by Wilke to approve the fence installation at 26111 Carol Ave. and find it is in accordance with the Secretary of Interior Standards #9.

Ayes: Brassfield, Kokoszka, Wilke, Witty, Roberts
Nays: Stchekine, Timmis
Absent: None
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Natalya Shub, 32334 Franklin Road

She is okay with the fence being approved. Her concerns involve a fountain with lights in it. The light from this fountain at night is very bright and flashing. It reflects on the neighbor's property and her own windows. Also, these improvements were done before the applications, licenses and permits were applied for.

Discussion:

Roberts explained that the Historic District Commission was only focused on the fence application. He stated if there is an issue with the light, he recommended she speak to the Code Enforcement Officer.

Shub stated she had tried. Roberts then suggested she speak to the Village Administrator or Building Official or the Village Clerk. She was glad it was now officially on the record.

B. Consider 32654 Franklin Rd. Dumper Enclosure Repair

Janice Seror, the property owner, came before the Commission with the request for repairs to her dumper enclosure. Awhile back the enclosure repaired, but now it is rotting out again. Because it was repair with wood. She idea now is to use Wood

Discussion:

- D. This is a replacement of an existing fence.
- E. The materials are pressurized treated wood.
- F. It is consistent with the other fences that are out there.

Motion by Witty, seconded by Wilke to approve the fence installation at 26111 Carol Ave. and find it is in accordance with the Secretary of Interior Standards #9.

Ayes: Brassfield, Kokoszka, Wilke, Witty, Roberts

Nays: Stchekine, Timmis

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Comments from Chairman Gary Roberts:

Amanda Davis is trying some detail on the grounds, the Village Green. Some clarification on its use is needed because it was not clear on the application. They are considering it as a contributing property. She just needs to understand that better. Also, there were several technical things on the maps. She was told to get back to McKenna because they couldn't read the street names and a few other little things.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Roberts, seconded by all to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Submitted,

Dana Hughes, Village Clerk