

**Village of Franklin  
Historic District Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, June 3, 2015 7:00 P.M.  
At the Franklin Village Hall – Broughton House  
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Historic District Commission was called to order by Gary Roberts, Chairman, at the Franklin Village Hall, 32325 Franklin Rd, Franklin, MI at 7:00 P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mike Brassfield, Eileen Harryvan, Garrett Keais, Gary Roberts, Jill Wilke, Laura Witty  
Absent: Gayle Timmis  
Also Present: Eileen Pulker, Clerk; Bill Dinnan, Building Official

**III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Harryvan, seconded by Keais to adopt the agenda, as presented.  
Motion was approved unanimously.**

**IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting of Wednesday, May 6, 2015.**

**Motion by Harryvan, seconded by Wilke to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 6, 2015, as presented.  
Motion was approved unanimously.**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments were made at this time.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consider Application for Repair of West Fence, Construct New East Fence, and Construct New Entrance Canopy at 26071 German Mill.**

David Masko, owner of the property and architect (David Masko Architect) for the projects, gave a brief history of the exterior of the existing house. Using blueprints, a very detailed description of the 3 proposals, which he had included with the application, and photos, he emphasized his intention to use cedar in all the proposals.

In addition to the repair of the West fence, he proposed constructing a partially concealed fire wood storage area at the end of the fence, which opens to the neighbor's yard. The same grey stain of the cedar shingles of the house would be used for the fence.

The proposed East architectural element would be in two (2) sections. The first section would be a new, low, fence that would run from the house to the garage, made of horizontal cedar

boards, stained and sealed to match the window seat and front porch. The second would be cedar shingles to match the garage. At the end of the fence a cedar trellis, as an architectural feature, would be constructed for climbing vines.

The third proposal would be a canopy over the rear entrance to the house, which would be of horizontal cedar slats, stained and clear sealed. The roof would be stained grey cedar shingles.

Roberts complimented Mr. Masko on his detailed and complete application. He also referenced a 6/3/15 letter from Chris and Maureen Rich, neighbors, who strongly support the three (3) proposals.

Discussions ensued centered around changing the classification of the East fence to an “architectural feature” and the wood storage area not conforming to the appropriate ordinance and possible suggestions for how to rectify the situation. The applicant withdrew the log storage component and agreed to speak further with Mr. Dinnan regarding possible options.

**Motion by Keais, seconded by Wilke to approve the Application for Repair of West Fence, Construct New East Fence, and Construct New Entrance at 26071 German Mill as submitted in the 4/27/15 drawing plans, with 2 revisions: the re-designation of the East fence to that of an architectural element and the elimination of any extension of the West fence for a concealed storage for firewood. Applicant will consult with Bill Dinnan, Building Official, and revise said storage rack. This determination is in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**B. Consider Demolition Application for 26841 Charles Lane.**

**Motion by Harryvan, seconded by Keais to recommend to Village Council the approval of the demolition application for the house at 26841 Charles Lane and issue a demolition permit, as they have found that there is no historic significance to this property. This determination is subject to the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for rehabilitation. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Submitted,

Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

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Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk