

CITY OF AURORA  
OHIO  
**Landmark Commission**  
Special Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2016

The Landmark Commission met in a special meeting Thursday, August 11, 2016 in the Mayor's Conference Room at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Clark.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Jeff Clark, Chairman  
Jason Coleman  
Tim Holder  
John Kudley, Vice Chairman  
Absent: Lauren Broderick, Vice Chairman  
Richard Fetzer, Historical Society Advisor  
Also Present: Meredith Davis, Asst. Director, Planning, Zoning, & Building  
Ronald Lowe – Architectural Advisor  
Marie Lawrie, Secretary

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

There were not enough members present at the meeting who were in attendance on June 16, 2016 to adopt the minutes. They will be considered at the next meeting.

**MOTION: To adopt the minutes from the July 21, 2016 meeting**

Mr. Holder moved, Mr. Kudley seconded, and the motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**HOME APPEAL, 29 MAPLE LANE REPLACEMENT WINDOWS**

Mike Maida, President of Home Appeal was in attendance along with the property owner, Lori Dicesare. There was a recap of the proposed project. They were seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to install 16 double hung, 5 awning, and 3 fixed light windows. When asked, Ms. Dicesare stated that the windows were replaced possibly in the 1950's. They did not have wavy glass. Mr. Clark read some information from the Landmark Commission ordinance and explained the role of Landmark Commission as it pertains to aesthetics and appropriateness for landmarked properties. He also explained the appeal process to the applicants.

Mr. Lowe was asked to comment on the project. He stated that the 12/8 grid pattern in the windows was a little unusual for the age of the home. That configuration was more typical in homes 50 years younger. There was discussion of the efficiency of

replacement windows verses the current windows. It was mentioned that the current grid pattern can still be made and is installed on other homes in Aurora. Mr. Lowe stated that the commission would need to decide if this muntins pattern was so unique that they wanted to preserve it. He further stated that the requested 6/6 pattern was not out of line. The overall character of the historic district was considered. Many of the homes on Maple Lane were moved to their current location and most have 6/6 grid pattern. The homeowner voiced her desire for the commission to approve the replacement windows in the 6/6 pattern.

**MOTION: To issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement windows with a 6/6 grid pattern**

Mr. Kudley moved, Mr. Holder seconded, and the motion carried on a 3-1 roll call vote.  
Yeas: Mr. Kudley, Mr. Holder, Mr. Coleman  
Nays: Mr. Clark

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SEAN BARBINA, 59 S CHILLICOTHE RD EXTERIOR CHANGES**

Sean and Mary Barbina were in attendance. They were seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace their slate roof with an asphalt roof. The quote they received to replace the entire roof was over \$30,000.00. The half round gutters and downspouts would be replaced with conventional materials. Contractors they previously spoke to about repairing the slate roof were no longer willing to accept the job. The roof over the porch is asphalt currently. There was a discussion about returning to the Landmark meeting with several quotes in hand to repair/replace the slate. The Landmark Commission stated that this is one of the few remaining slate roofs in the city and they would like it to be preserved if possible.

Mr. Barbina spoke to the Commission about his windows. He stated that he originally wanted to replace 24 windows; however, he was able to repair the ropes and re-glaze many of the windows. He is currently looking to replace 11 windows, which were beyond repair. He was asked by the Commission to return with a sketch of the home and indicate exactly which windows he would like to replace. He was asked to bring a sample of the replacement window if possible.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

 **Historic Markers**

Mr. Kudley announced that the applications were approved for the Edenezer Sheldon, Esq. historic marker and the Geauga Lake historic marker. A ceremony will be scheduled when the markers are installed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: To adjourn the meeting**

Mr. Kudley moved to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Mr. Coleman seconded, and the motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

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Jeff Clark, Chairman

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Marie Lawrie - Secretary