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**City of Evansville Historic Preservation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday February 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall (Third Floor), 31 South Madison Street**

**MINUTES**

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

**2. Roll Call:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Others Present</b>
Chair Dan Stephans	P	Community Development Dir. Jason Sergeant
Vice-chair Steve Culbertson	A	Roger Berg, Applicant
Gene Lewis	P	John & Jean Petri, Applicant
Ald. Joy Morrison	P	John Willoughby, Applicant
Matt Koser	A	
Cheryl Doerfer	P	
Steve Christens	P	

**3. Motion to approve the agenda by Christens, seconded by Morrison. Approved unanimously.**

**4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the January 23, 2020 meeting and approve them as printed by Christens, seconded by Morrison. Approved unanimously.**

**5. Civility Reminder.** Stephans noted the City's commitment to civil discourse.

**6. Citizen appearances.** None.

**7. Applications**

**A. 21 E Main – New wall and Projecting Sign (Application SIGN-2020-01).**

R Berg gave a brief description of the sign project. A design picture was included in the application. **Motion to accept the application finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form** by Christens, seconded by Doerfer. ***Approved unanimously.***

**B. 133 Grove – Replace Roof and Windows (Application HPC-2020-07).** John and Jean Petri informed the commission that the roof needed replacing due to ice dams forming on the roof. Also, they were replacing windows that were replacement windows and not original. The windows would resemble a more historical original look to the house. **Motion to accept the application finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form** by Christens, seconded by Lewis. ***Approved unanimously.***

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**C. 5 Maple – New Wall Sign (Application SIGN-2020-02).** R Berg gave a brief description of the project. *Motion to accept the application finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form by Christens, seconded by Morrison. Approved unanimously.*

**D. 145 Highland – Replace Railings (Application HPC 2020-09).** J Willoughby presented the application project would involve both porches with replacing of spindles, top and bottom rails, stair railing and spindles, and the porch skirting. The spacing between the spindles would be reduced to reflect a more historical view. Also, the existing height of the handrail would remain the same, matching the historical view. *Motion to accept the application finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form by Lewis, seconded by Morrison. Approved unanimously.*

**8. New Business: Discussion Items:**

**A. 14 Railroad – Discussion with Property Owner.** R Berg presented the project including a picture of the property and asked for guidance from the commission regarding to replace the rear stairs of the property, as it was cited with an Initiated by City Enforcement Action, repair/replace the eave of the porch, and replacement of windows that are not original to the property. The commission comments were to build the stairs as to the code of the city ordinance, keep the same size window when replacing them, and the vinyl material of the window framing was to be smooth in texture. Also, if any siding part of the building needed to be repaired, using the same aluminum siding would be allowed.

**9. Old Business.** None

**10. Report of the Community Development Director.**

**A. Staff Issued certificates of appropriateness.** 132 W Main – Replace Gutters (Application HPC-2020-10).

**11. Correspondence, Comments and Concerns.** Sergeant and Lewis brought up a fencing issue that was approved and the neighbor disapproved of the fencing once it was installed. It was discussed that any fencing projects going forward needed to include visual details of the neighbor's property bordering the proposed fence.

**12. Next Meeting Dates:**

**A. Centennial Building Ribbon Cutting – February 28 @ 2:00 p.m.**

**B. March 18, 2020 at 6 p.m.; April 15, 2020 at 6 p.m.; May 20, 2020 at 6 p.m.**

**13. Motion to Adjourn by Christens, seconded by Lewis. Approved unanimously.**