

Unionville Historic District and Properties Commission
January 8, 2015
Minutes

Present: Sherry Horton, Matt Ross, , Lisa Johnson, Diana Meyer (alternate), Matt Pogson, Bob Hoffman (alternate)

Absent: Bill Baker (alternate), Janine Ransom

Attending: William Warner, Town Planner, Meredith Trimble, Dawn Eagles, Tim Eagles

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

Approval of Minutes:

December 4th minutes (Horton/Pogson) (M/S/A) with corrections

Walking Tours

- Main Street is done
- Suburban Park – draft distributed and discussed. Last page still needs work. Thank Diana for text. Crop photo of Unionville Center and enlarge
- Cottage Street – work in progress. Any additional info would be appreciated.

Bill Warner added that there may be funds available to print the brochures professionally

Historic District Expansion

- Sherry revised the ordinance for the Town Council and sent along to Kathy Eagan for an upcoming Town Council meeting.
- The Town Council will vote to hold a public hearing related to the ordinance on January 13th and the tentative vote on the ordinance will be on February 10th.
- Possible get-together in late February or March to celebrate the new additions. (Scene Art)

New Business

Informal Discussion with Tim and Dawn Eagles regarding 60 Main St.

- Replacement of existing clapboards with vertical grain clear cedar clapboards
- Trim will be stripped, as will fish scales
- Paint work done in 2006 is not holding
- Additional project is to repair the porch with like materials
- A new railing will be added and require a COA (forthcoming)

New Commissioners

- No luck with possible leads.
- Suggestion made to approach the political parties to appoint members

Suggestion made to hold a vendor/contractor fair for homeowners related to materials, information, the Historic District process, and tips/tools.

Suggestion made to review the documents in the Planners Office related to the historic homes in Farmington and approach the homeowners to get involved in more district activities.

Planners Update

Charles House property development is moving along. The architects have met with various community groups to vet ideas and designs. The architecture is taking on the look of old factories and building replicas consistent with Unionville historical architecture. A public forum on the site development will occur soon.

Farmington Gateway project is moving along as well. Project is currently in the public participation aspect of the project. Public charrettes will occur on March 26-28 including walks of the area. Farmington website has information about the plan and public involvement.

Next meeting is February 5th

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM MJR