

HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD MINUTES
21420 MAIN STREET NE, AURORA
April 26, 2012

Staff Members Present: Sophia Kuznetsov, Administrative Assistant

Others Present: Terri Roberts, City Council Liaison

The meeting of April 26th 2012 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Townsend.

Admin Assistant takes Roll Call

Chairman Karen Townsend – Present
Member Gayle Abernathy – Present
Member James Frackowiak – Present.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the minutes of March 22rd 2012, with corrections, was made by James Frackowiak, seconded by Gayle Abernathy , and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

A. April 19, 2012 memo from Chairman Karen Townsend regarding HRB meetings procedures.

Chairman Townsend went over her memo, explaining the need for HRB members to be prepared and informed in order to make the best decisions at the monthly HRB meetings.

VISITORS

Steve Braun	Aurora	21883 Airport Road, Fredrick Kiel House
Retta Braun	Aurora	21883 Airport Road, Fredrick Kiel House
Bill Grapp	Aurora	City Council Member
Joseph Schaefer	Aurora	Planning Commission Member
Noel Kinder	Aurora	21853 Liberty St
Paul Belz-Templeman	Aurora	21553 Liberty St
Vie Anderson		1785 Woodland Ave
Curtis Gatlin	Aurora	21381 Main St
Wendy Gatlin	Aurora	21381 Main St

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of updating the Historic Guidelines per City Council request.

- The HRB members are in progress of going over section 17.20 of the Historic District Guidelines, Chairman Townsend will pass on HRB recommendations of guidelines to City Planner Renata when they are complete.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of letter of interest and resume for position on the Historic Review Board from Curtis Gatlin.

Mr. Gatlin was asked about his interest in the Historic District and was invited to watch the meeting. He did not stay. No action was taken.

B. Discussion and/or action on application for replacing the window on the north side of the house into a door for 21883 Airport Road also known as the Frederick Kiel House, submitted by Stephan and Retta Braun.

- Discussion of making door look more like original door
- HRB recommend that the door is changed with transom having straight divides similar to original door as in the provided picture.

A motion to approve the application for replacing the window on the north side of the house into a door with recommended changes, was made by Gayle Abernathy, seconded by James Frackowiak and passed unanimously

C. Discussion and/or action on sign application for 1 A-Frame sign for 14971 First Street submitted by Mike Byrnes.

A motion to approve the application for one A-board as submitted, was made by Gayle Abernathy, seconded by James Frackowiak and passed unanimously.

D. Discussion and/or action on application for adding a new back porch for 21533 Liberty St NE, submitted by Noel & Danielle Kinder

A motion to approve the application for adding a new back porch, as submitted, was made by Gayle Abernathy, seconded by James Frackowiak and passed unanimously.

E. Discussion and/or action on application for reroofing the Aurora Presbyterian church at 21553 Liberty St NE, submitted by Paul Belz-Templeman

A motion to approve the application for reroofing the Aurora Presbyterian church, as submitted, was made by Gayle Abernathy, seconded by James Frackowiak and passed unanimously.

F. Discussion on current Historic District Properties per request of City Council and City Hall Staff

- HRB feels that the property list appears to be accurate. No suggested changes were made.

G. Violations of Guidelines in the Historic District

- Chairman Townsend reminds members to keep an eye out for guideline violations in the Historic District in order to be fair to others abiding by the rules.
- Eric's Bike Shop is no longer in business and has an abandoned sign under section 17.20.120 of the Historic Guidelines.
- Aurora Colony Grocery Store- Teddy bear in cart out front of store and chain link fence, possible violation?
- Various businesses in the Historic district have the area in front of business unkempt. The City has asked the businesses to keep the area in front of the businesses maintained; discussion on whether or not it is the business owners' responsibility to keep the city or state right of way that is in front of their business maintained. By custom, all property owners, business or residential do this.

H. Discussion on Planning Commission and Historic Review Board Proposal.

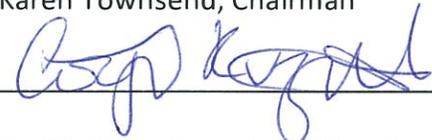
Councilor Roberts brought up the proposal made by Mayor Taylor at the April City Council meeting to combine the Planning commission and Historic Review board. Concern that meetings will be twice as long and will have a harder time finding volunteers that will be able to spare the time. Chairman Townsend mentioned that interest in board meetings tends to be cyclical so positions will eventually be filled in the HRB. HRB is willing to go to a Planning Commission meeting to be familiar with planning issues and so that Planning Commission may better understand those of the Historic District.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:00 pm by Gayle Abernathy seconded by James Frackowiak, and passed unanimously.



Karen Townsend, Chairman



Sophia Kuznetsov, Administrative Assistant