

MINUTES  
OF  
MOUNT VERNON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
Saturday, April 2, 2016

The Historic Preservation Commission met on Saturday, April 2, 2016. Commission members present included Leah Rogers, Sarah Kelly, Susan Hargas, Hugh Lifson, Ed Sauter, Dick Thomas, and Guy Booth. The Minutes of the March 5, 2016 meeting were approved upon motion by Ed Sauter, seconded by Sarah Kelly.

A design review request was heard by the Board. Jacey Bratek requested information regarding the painting of the house they own at 708 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, Mount Vernon. There was also a request to review the proposal for shutters, and for a king post trust in the front dormer of the house. Discussion concerning the appropriateness of shutters on the bungalow-style house indicated that they probably were not historically relevant. Ms. Bratek indicated they would defer on the request for approval of shutters at this time. There was support for the king post trust that is proposed, and was recommended that that be completed after the painting of the house. The proposed colors are appropriate, although the commission does not have authority to approve or disapprove of the color scheme. Ed Sauter moved that a certificate of appropriateness be approved for the requested architectural feature of the king post trust. The motion was seconded by Hugh Lifson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Mickey Woods mural is close to being installed. The frame is being constructed. Dick will arrange with Tony as to the date he could be present to oversee the installation of the mural. Jim Engelbrecht can complete the frame at the time the mural is permanently installed. It is anticipated that the cost for the framing will be in the area of \$500.

Leah gave a report on the website. Mary Evans is continuing to put material on to the website. She has been able to find and scan in a number of the high school history projects. Dick Thomas indicated that Brooke Berganzel is recommending a Cornell student to work as an intern this summer. Leah will determine how the funding of the internship can be managed between this year's and next year's budget. Hugh Lifson indicated that the website was basically a black and white color. He was wondering if we could use more color in the website. It is agreed this should be done, but we will wait until we are farther into the project. Leah also gave a report on the archive management. Mary continues to clean the area and organize the archives.

In old business, Hugh Lifson reported that he is still working on details of the Davenport trip. It will probably coincide with the summit meeting on September 15, 16 and 17.

Under new business, Leah reported on the September summit meeting and topics that will be of interest to our commission.

Hugh Lifson asked that the Minutes note the passing of Zaha Hadid, a noted architect who came from Iraq. She is extremely well-known internationally. She passed away in Miami in March.

The next meeting for HPC will be in May, but the meeting date will be determined later.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Guy Booth, Secretary