

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (AD HOC)**

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Time and Date: Wednesday, December 31, 2014, at 12:00 p.m. in the Birch Room of Wausau City Hall  
Members Present: Gisselman (C), Burke, Crooks, Forer, Grimm,  
Others Present: Brad Lenz, Bill Hebert, Bob Voigt, Liz Field

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and transmitted to the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Chairperson Gisselman called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. stating that a quorum was present.

### **Certificate of Appropriateness for 726 Franklin Street**

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Hebert introduced the property and the proposed renovations to the building. Voigt added that aluminum would be added to the porch ceiling. He is trying to keep it as is, and would cover up the wood rather than tear it off. Voigt said he would be replacing the exterior windows of one of the apartments located on the southeast corner of the building on the second floor. Two windows would be on the front of the building and the rest on the east side. The rounded appearance from the exterior would remain.

Crooks asked Voigt if he looked into replacing the windows with custom wood windows. Voigt said he didn't know how the windows would be sleeved so he didn't look into it.

Forer asked if the two new windows on the front would look different than the other two windows on the front that are not being replaced. Voigt said the exterior trim on the windows will be the same. Forer asked if the dividers in the windows would be different on the east and west halves of the front façade, and Voigt confirmed.

Crooks recommended that Voigt look into wood replacement windows, including muntins, to see if it is cost effective. He shared Forer's concern that replacing only half of the windows on the front façade may detract from the appearance of the building. Forer suggested doing the same thing to the west windows as to the east ones.

Crooks said with the soffit on the porch that the porch ceiling would not be very visible from the street. He said that local window companies do custom wood windows and he suggested Voigt talk to them.

Gisselman said that the certificate is advisory only and that these are suggestions for the owner.

Forer motioned to issue the certificate with the suggestions made previously. Grimm seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Gisselman said he appreciated the interest in renovating the property and he invited Voigt to update the Commission on future improvements to the property.

### **Certificate of Appropriateness for 802 Franklin Street**

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Voigt said that the building is in need of a new roof which led to him looking at improvements to the soffit. He said the new ones would be aluminum. He said the molding on the current soffits would be gone. The shingles would be replaced with similar-looking asphalt shingles.

Grimm showed historic pictures of the house which had features now missing from the house. Discussion followed.

Crooks asked if there was rotting of the roof. Voigt confirmed. Burke asked if the crown molding acts as a drip edge. Voigt said yes. Crooks asked if the house has wood siding and if it is original. Voigt said that it is wood siding and is either original or very old. Discussion followed.

Grimm motioned to approve the certificate of appropriateness. Burke seconded, and the motion carried 4-1, with Crooks opposed.

### **Adjournment**

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Burke motioned to adjourn. Crooks seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gary Gisselman, Chair