

The following minutes are from the Historic Commission meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 in the Abita Springs Town Hall. The meeting convened at 6:03 p.m.

Commissioner Blitch called the meeting to order, and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners in attendance included Ron Blitch, Thad Mancil, Otto Dinkelacker, and Paul Vogt. Commissioner Andre Monnot was absent. Kristin Tortorich and Mark Fancey were also present.

The Commission reviewed the draft minutes from the January 11, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Mancil motioned to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Dinkelacker seconded the motion. All commissioners were in favor.

Certificate of Appropriateness 22090 Hwy 36

The request is to install a new business sign. The sign would be the same size as an existing sign for another business in the complex. The applicant explained the sign would be outlined with strips of small LED lights. The Commission discussed the best location for the sign and suggested placing it on the roof. Commissioner Blitch said the preferred location would not block any of the front columns.

Commissioner Mancil motioned to approve the request noting the option to place the sign on the roof. Commissioner Dinkelacker seconded the motion. All commissioners were in favor.

Certificate of Appropriateness 72044 Gum Street

The request is to replace a fence and shed damaged by Hurricane Ida. The accessory building would be sited in the previous location but would be nearly twice as large in size. The new building would be metal. The fence would be sited in the previous location. Commissioner Blitch wondered if the location of the building would meet the required setbacks. He noted that the Historic Design Standards require that accessory buildings match the existing house in building materials and roof pitch.

The Commission suggested re-orienting the building to better fit the site. Commissioner Dinkelacker suggested putting a matching gate in the fence that would align with the doors on the shed.

Commissioner Blitch suggested some additional work be done on the application and the applicants should return in March. The Commission deferred action on the request. Commissioner Blitch is assigned to the application.

DISCUSSION

Public Comment

Joy Flanagan, the applicant for the commercial sign request, was asked about her business Games, Games, Games. She said the business hosts various game nights every night in the store and has games for sale.

Commissioner Vogt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mancil seconded the motion. All commissioners were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Kristin M. Tortorich, Planning and Zoning

Date