

Historic Preservation Review Board Meeting Wednesday, March 12, 2014, 6:00 PM

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was called to order by Acting Chair, Matt Shildneck at 6:00 PM at Town Hall.

Acting Chair, Matt Shildneck called the roll.

Board Members present: Acting Chair; Matt Shildneck, Ellen Roberts, David Harsh, and Nina LeBaron. Board Members absent: Elizabeth Anderson.

Also present: Sandy Strehlou, HPRB Coordinator; Jim Carroll, Property manager for the Cannery House Restaurant.

Minutes

The minutes of the HPRB meeting of 02.12.2014 were approved with a minor correction.

Design Review: Cannery House Restaurant Rehab/174 First Street

Jim Carroll, property manager for the Cannery House restaurant building addressed the board with a brief description of the Cannery House rehabilitation project. Due to the fact that far greater changes, possibly including demolition, may come in the future the current proposed changes are rudimentary with the goal of providing a rentable space. Changes include; two sets of French doors facing the deck, replacing windows with the same size windows, removing one entry door facing First Street while keeping the gabled "rooflet".

HPRB Coordinator Sandy Strehlou recommended the board seek to find whether the proposed changes are compatible with the building itself. The board agreed to the following:

#1 Are the proposed changes compatible with the existing building? **Yes.**

#5 Are the proposed entryways and windows compatible to the existing building? **Yes.**

Board Recommendations for Farhad Ghatan's 345 Blair Street Property

Property owner Farhad Ghatan requested input from the HP board regarding his plan to rehabilitate property at 345 Blair Street. The property is outside of the historic district and does not require a design review. The building has been altered significantly over time, hence Coordinator Strehlou recommended the

board give Mr. Ghatan suggestions that will help the building make sense. The board made the following recommendations.

1. Salvage original windows and have additional windows relate to the originals.
2. Use the four historic windows on the front façade.
3. Cladding: Replace the non-original board and batten siding with horizontal wood clapboard or bevel siding.
4. Keep the gable element facing Blair Street.
5. Repeat knee braces from the north elevation on the south elevation.
6. Use simple balusters for the railings. Use them consistently.

Port of Friday Harbor Design Discussion

Coordinator Strehlou addressed the board regarding developments of the Port of Friday Harbor's redesign. The HPRB wrote a recommendation to Town Council, shared at the March 6th Town Council meeting, regarding the Port Design and stating that the initial design did not feel like Friday Harbor. After public response to the original plan, many citizens complained that the design was too modern and did not feel like Friday Harbor, the Port offered a revised design. Presently the Port has decided that they will work with HPRB and will be asking for incentives. The new design, while more in keeping with Friday Harbor's character, is of greater height and has generated concern among neighboring businesses regarding possible view obstruction.

Coordinator Strehlou recommended the board request from the Port drawings that articulate what the views from upper properties will actually look like so the issue can be addressed with sufficient information. Strehlou also pointed out that the HP guidelines lack of reference to the waterfront could give the board greater latitude to in reviewing the project when it comes before the Board.

Meeting adjourned 8:15

Note: Due to illness these minutes were taken from the video recoding of this meeting.

Matt Shildneck, Acting Chair

Peggy Sue McRae, Recording Secretary