

Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2021

Present: Mitch Alligood, Jane Camp, Fay Brassie, Elizabeth Jones

Absent: Susan Brown

Staff: Debbie Adkinson, Code Department Assistant
Laura Wilson, Code Department Assistant

Visitors: Denny Horne, Danny Horne

Meeting called to order at 5:59 P.M.

Acting Chairman Alligood asked if there were any changes or corrections to the May 25, 2021* minutes. To approve as submitted.

Motion by Brassie. Second by Jones
Motion carried.

The First Item of Business: Request for COA #58 at 803 S Broad St. The applicant is Denny Horne on behalf of White Cotton Investments LLC, owner of said property. The request is to make several changes to the exterior of the structure including siding, windows, doors, porches, and steps.

Denny Horne spoke to the request. He wants to remodel the house and bring it up to code. He would like to add a window to create a bedroom and replace four of the existing windows with vinyl windows that are 6 over 6 panes, replace the porches with the exact same materials, replace siding with rough wood and paint it so it matches the rest of the house, remove existing concrete porch steps and replace with wood, and replace two doors with in the same style as the existing doors which is glass on the top half divided into nine panes. Much discussion followed about the proposed changes. Wilson reminded Horne he had to bring the house up to code and he reaffirmed his plan to do so. He also admitted to putting a new roof on the house without permission from the Commission. The Commission members agreed with his choice of roof. A motion was made to approve each item individually.

To approve new windows as stated in summary.

Motion by Jones. Second by Camp.
Motion Carried.

To approve new doors as stated in summary.

Motion by Brassie. Second by Jones.
Motion Carried.

To approve new porches and steps as stated in summary.

Motion by Camp. Second by Brassie.
Motion Carried.

To approve siding as stated in summary.

Motion by Camp. Second by Jones.
Motion Carried. COA granted

Old Business:

The commission members discussed creating a form letter to send to properties who are in violation of HPC ordinances; specifically referring to the Hester House on Walton Street and The Roe on Broad Street. Acting Chairman Alligood will draft a letter and pass it around to Commission members for comment.

Camp asked the Commission about moving historic houses and the process for awarding plaques to historic properties even if the property is not in a local historic district. Discussion followed; Adkinson provided Camp a summary of the materials in the HPC Binder she was issued.

New Business:

The First Item of Business: Selecting a new chairman; after discussion Mitch Alligood was nominated as chairman.

To approve Mitch Alligood as Chairman

Motion by Jones. Seconded by Brassie
Motion carried

The Second Item of Business: Jones informed the Commission that the City has been awarded a federal grant by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs to update the current survey of historic properties. The timetable is to put the RFP out in August 2021 for Commission members to pick a firm at the August 24th meeting so the firm can be approved at the September Council Meeting. Due to the large number of properties that need to be surveyed, the survey will be a multiyear project.

Chairman Alligood entertained a motion to adjourn.

To adjourn

Motion by Jones. Second by Camp.
Motion carried. Adjourned at 6:39 pm