



**York Historical Architectural Review Board  
Meeting Minutes  
November 8, 2018**

Members in attendance included: Craig Zumbrun (Chair), Dennis Kunkle (Vice-Chair), Mark Skehan, Ruth Dobbins, Joe Downing, Mark Shermeyer, Robyn Pottorff (arrived at 6:20)

Absent: Rebecca Zeller, Dave Redshaw

Consultant: Christine Leggio, JMT Senior Architectural Historian/ HARB Consultant

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RESULT
<b>Welcome and call to order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.  The agenda was prepared by the HARB Consultant.	
<b>Changes to the Agenda</b>		
<b>Minutes of October 25, 2018</b>		Mr. Skehan moved to approve October 25, 2018 minutes. Mr. Kunkle seconded. Approved.
<b>Cases</b>	The following cases are approved with the recommended actions.	

**Case #1 – 1. 253 W Philadelphia Street**

**Discussion:** A request by Mel Hecker for the addition of Hardie trim around three second floor windows, the addition to or replacement of existing trim around the dormer windows with Hardie trim, the replacement of existing dormer windows with new Harvey Majesty windows.

Board noted concern regarding retention of the historic detailed trim around the windows, including the window hoods. The applicant noted that the window hoods and building cornice would be retained.

Mr. Shermeyer noted that the replacement windows will be of wood. He asked whether they would have simulated divided lights. The applicant stated that the replacements will be wood, single pane, double-hung windows.

**Motion:** Mr. Shermeyer motioned to approve the application as submitted, and Mr. Skehan seconded.

**Additional Discussion:** The applicant noted that the downspout on the building had fallen off and he would like to replace it. The Board noted that a half-round gutter with round downspout would be the preferred replacement.

**Vote:** 6-0. Motion approved.

### **Case #2 – 2. 34 N George Street**

**Discussion:** A request by Janie Busch for the replacement of existing one-over-one wood windows with new, one-over-one composite windows on the façade of the property.

The applicant's representative presented the application. Mr. Zumbrun noted that all of the windows on the second and third floors would be replaced with windows of the same configuration, and side, and the applicant's representative confirmed. The Board noted the single stained-glass window on each floor, and the applicant's representative noted that they would not be altered.

The applicant's representative noted that the sills may be rotting or in otherwise poor condition. The Board recommended replacement in-kind, with an alternative material such as Hardi-board, or an epoxy repair, and noted that wrapping in vinyl or aluminum is not recommended or allowed by the Historic District guidelines.

**Motion:** Mr. Shermeyer motioned to approve the application as submitted, and, Mr. Downing seconded.

**Additional Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** 7-0. Motion approved.

### **Case #3 – 237-241 W Market Street**

**Discussion:** A preliminary review for proposed alterations to the exterior of the storefronts of the property by Escape Games Live.

The applicants noted that they are in need of a new space and would like to stay downtown.

Would like to reduce the storefront recess to approximately 4 feet, where there is a seam in the window panes. They are considering using steel or aluminum framed glass doors. Mr. Shermeyer noted that he is comfortable with the proposed alteration in theory and noted some historical instances in York in which a similar type of configuration was utilized. Mr. Zumbrun noted that the HARB approved a similar change on the neighboring building (the Garlic Pot) in years past.

Regarding signage, Mr. Shermeyer noted that much of it would be subject to zoning approval. He noted that HARB would not object to much in terms of signage inside the windows, that neon and similar type displays would not be appropriate. Mr. Zumbrun noted that signs that emit light are discouraged, although back-lit raised lighting can be approved.

Mr. Zumbrun noted items hung from trees would not be within HARB jurisdiction and noted that lights in the trees may be subject to approval from the Public Works Department.

The applicant noted the current front doors are 16-light wood French doors, which are not historic. The Board indicated they would be amenable to a metal framed door.

The applicants noted that they are considering making alterations to the rear door which faces the parking lot, including signage, lighting, and decorations. The Board noted that it would not be within HARB jurisdiction if it is not visible from the public right-of-way and noted that signs are subject to zoning approval.

The applicants indicated that they would like to put an English-style phone booth on the sidewalk in front of the building. The Board noted that such an installation would be subject to Zoning approval and suggested that it could be considered public art.

**Motion:** No motion was made regarding this preliminary review.

**Additional Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** None.

**Other Business:** None.

**Adjourning and next meeting**      **The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 6:49pm the next scheduled meeting is set for Thursday December 13, 2018.**

**Minutes recorded by Christine Leggio, JMT Senior Architectural Historian/HARB Consultant.**