



**York Historical Architectural Review Board
Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2021**

Members in attendance included: Craig Zumbrun (Chair), Dennis Kunkle (Vice-Chair), Joe Downing, Mark Shermeyer, Mark Skehan

Absent: Robyn Pottorff, Ruth Robbins

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

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RESULT
Welcome and call to order	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The agenda was prepared by the HARB Consultant.	
Changes to the Agenda	--	--
Minutes of December 10, 2020	--	Motion to approve was made by Mr. Shermeyer and seconded by Mr. Downing. The minutes were approved with all in favor.
Cases	The following case was presented.	The following application was approved as described below.

Case #1 - 243 E Market Street: A request by Jianjun Lan and Warren Haynie for the painting of an unpainted brick façade, visible from E Market Street (work complete).

Discussion: The applicant was not present at the meeting. The painting of the west elevation of the building has already been completed.

The Preservation Consultant noted that the painting of previously unpainted masonry walls and surfaces is not in keeping with York Historic District Guidelines or the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Preservation. The subject property is a highly visible historic resource on a prominent, main street within the historic district. The painted wall is readily visible to foot traffic along East Market Street.

Mr. Shermeyer noted that the building is a significant property, one of few remaining from the early 19th century on East Market Street. The paint could be removed from the façade by a professional

experienced with historic masonry, using gentle methods to avoid damaging the brick. Had an application for painting this façade come before the Board prior to the work being completed, it would not have been approved. Mr. Shermeyer noted that the building had never been historically painted and that the paint should be removed. He noted that the property is the former home of Joe Kendig, a local antiques dealer and regional preservationist who is known to have kept the house in a well-preserved condition. He and Mr. Zumbrun recommended that the Board deny the request for the painting of the exterior wall.

Motion: Mr. Shermeyer motioned to **deny** the application for the painting of the west façade of the building and recommend that the condition be reversed. Removal of the paint should be undertaken in consultation with a professional with experience working with historic masonry. Mr. Downing seconded.

Additional Discussion: N/A

Vote: 5-0; the motion is approved with all in favor.

Case #2 - 320 E Market Street: A request by Rexann Richards for the replacement of the main entry door on the property.

Discussion: The applicant noted that the proposal for the replacement door had been revised per HARB's request since HARB last discussed it in 2020.

Mr. Shermeyer noted that the existing door panels aligned and corresponded with panels set within the door jamb. He noted that a late 19th century architect faced with the need to provide visibility through the door would have adapted the style to meet that requirement. The proposed replacement door design combines the two upper panels into a single, multi-light glazed panel. The glazed panel aligns with the panels on the door jambs. The pane arrangement and size of the lights within the glazed panel, as well as the dividing muntins, match the pane size and muntin width of those found on the windows and transom on the building.

Motion: Mr. Kunkle motioned to approve the application as submitted. Mark Skehan seconded.

Additional Discussion: N/A

Vote: 5-0; the motion is approved with all in favor.

Case #3 - 256 E Gas Avenue: A request by Ingres Morel for the repair and/or partial replacement of existing wood siding on the property.

Discussion: The applicant noted that the proposed work will consist of repair of the existing wood siding and replacement in-kind, as needed.

The Board noted that the property appears to have been vacant for some time. They noted gaps in the foundation and the applicant stated that they would also like to repair the foundation by applying a parge coat of cement to stop water seepage. The Board generally agreed this would be appropriate.

Motion: Mr. Shermeyer motioned to approve the application as presented, including the in-kind repair of the existing wood siding, to be painted to match, and the application of a parge coat to the building foundation. Mr. Skehan seconded.

Additional Discussion: N/A

Vote: 5-0; the motion is approved with all in favor.

Other Business: Election of Officers

Mark Shermeyer nominated Craig Zumbrun for Chair and Dennis Kunkle for Vice Chair. The Board noted that the current officers have seen HARB through a difficult transition due to the COVID-19 pandemic and limitations on in-person meetings and wished to continue with the current arrangement. Mark Skehan seconded the nomination.

Vote: 5-0; the motion to elect Craig Zumbrun HARB Chair and Dennis Kunkle Vice Chair passed with all in favor.

Adjourning and next meeting **The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm the next scheduled meeting is set for Thursday January 28, 2021.**

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