

**BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY
HISTORIC REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, February 1, 2021

The Historic Review Commission meeting was called to order at 7:03PM by Ms. Heather Wildman-Figley.

Meeting hosted via Zoom Teleconference. In attendance were Mr. Larry Rice Ms. Teresa Duff, Ms. Kathe Barge, Ms. Heather Wildman-Figley of the Sewickley Historic Review Commission. Also present was Ms. Marla Marcinko, Borough Manager, and Mr. Randy McCray, of Harshman CE Group, LLC.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. CLG Status Update

Mr. Bill Callahan presented an update on the CLG application. A certification was sent to the Borough Manager, which requires signatures before going to the Park Service (5 signatures at the State level). The agreement requires a signature from the Borough Council President. There is a mini-grant program (\$5K - \$10K). How could Sewickley use this funding? Mr. Callahan also noted they could assist with the Historic Ordinance. Ms. Marcinko said they may need to see with the Borough Solicitor is in the review process and what comments they had. A third opinion on the Ordinance may be a good idea. Ms. Marcinko noted she will check on the status. Mr. Rice mentioned they should have an update by the February Borough Council meeting. Mr. Callahan mentioned interest in the Solicitor comments. He noted a couple of questions; (1) How are permits triggered? Some municipalities aren't triggered by permitting. (2) Is it about the buildings? Is it the District as a whole? Does the Borough want to look at things other than the buildings? Ms. Duff asked how the CLG could benefit other organizations. Mr. Callahan noted it is a government-to-government agreement; the Borough would have to take the lead. There are three points: (1) What are the priorities in the Borough the CLG could provide funding for. (2) To help small Boroughs create preservation plans. (3) Ms. Marcinko asked if that would have to be through the RFP process? Mr. Callahan noted the quotes would probably be \$2K - \$7K and go through the process for Federal grants and the Borough process. Ms. Marcinko noted they would not have to be competitively bid at that level. Mr. Callahan said he could help prepare a Scope of Work to send to appropriate firms. Ms. Duff said it would be nice to have the process in place once the CLG application is complete. Hypothetically, if the HRC wanted to take on structures, how would the Ordinance be affected? Mr. Callahan said it would have to write zoning in consideration of the Historic Ordinance. Ms. Duff suggested an architectural survey of inventory; what is here and how do you protect those assets.

B. Duquesne Light Mural Update

Ms. Duff provided an update on the Duquesne Light Mural. There was a call with Duquesne Light with Mr. Rice and Ms. Wildman-Figley. They discussed the cost of restoration and have been working on quotes. There were three (3) masons contacted; Arch, Graciano, Young Restoration. All seem interested. Hal Hilbish had interest in the fixture only. Craig Bischak needs access to give a quote. Two (2) sign companies were contacted, Sign Innovations and Technique. Edison Coatings was contacted about the decorative tile. Ms. Barge provided alternative contacts; John Piso (a mason), an electrical contractor, Reva Restoration, and Renner.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr. Rice seconded by Ms. Barge the Historic Review Commission Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Wildman-Figley
Historic Review Commission Chairperson