City of North Tonawanda

Historic Preservation Commission

City Hall
216 Payne Ave.
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Regular Meeting – April 18, 2016

Minutes

Present: Rae Proefrock, Jay Soemann, April Gampp, Linda Hayes, Dennis Pasiak, Joe Fonzi
Absent: Peter Trinkwalder

Meeting Called to Order at: 5:58 PM

New Business
Dockside Bar and Grill
Jay Shepard presented plans to install new signage on the Sweeney Street side of the building. Rendering provided, letters are 32"for Dockside, Bar and Grill letters are 24". Letters would be in a channel, and be internally lit by LED lighting. Dennis asked how bright they would be, owner assured that they would be bright enough to see, but not too bright to be overpowering. April suggested moving the words "bar and grill" up underneath the arched "Dockside" letters.

Motion to approve sign as per drawing provided, letters could be smaller, but not larger than rendering.

1st Joe Fonzi 2nd Linda Hayes
Ayes__6_, Nayes__0__

Old Business
Tully's/American Skin Art
Owner Kevin O'Connor could not find appropriate panels to replace window, committee again suggested glass.

Historic District – Rae gave an update on Kiersten's progress. SHPO stated that the draft was not complete enough, Kiersten was to revise and submit a new draft – no update since last meeting, Rae to follow up again.

Salon Envy – two variations of signage presented via rendering from Santoro Signs, committee chose option to have plastic sign currently attached to vinyl awning removed and moved to above the awning with lighting over the top.

Motion to approve sign as per drawing provided.
1st Jay Soemann 2nd Joe Fonzi
Ayes__6_, Nayes__0__

Payne Junior High – Currently for sale, Mayor Pappas mentioned that the building needs repair and a potential buyer exists. Discussed merits of listing it as historic so that potential buyer can receive tax

credits, and fines could potentially be imposed which could influence current owner to sell. Committee was instructed to investigate further regarding fines, follow up at next meeting.

NT History Museum – closed as director recently passed away. Committee discussed what would happen to artifacts as it is a "chartered" museum. Mayor's office trying to follow up with the board of directors or owners son to gain access to the museum.

Jay Soemann discussed potential Ordinance changes.

Motion to keep Ordinance as is.
1st Jay Soemann 2nd Rae Proefrock
Ayes__6__, Nayes __0__

Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.