



City of North Tonawanda

Historic Preservation Commission

City Hall
216 Payne Ave.
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Regular Meeting – October 17, 2016

Minutes

Present: Jay Soemann, Joe Fonzi, Peter Trinkwalder, Linda Hayes

Absent: Rae Proefrock, April Gampp, Dennis Pasiak,

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:00 PM

Old Business

Kiersten Minnick – SHPO application status quo, no update or draft provided as requested.

Kevin O'Connor – Tullys/American Skin Art – letter sent by City attorney Katherine Alexander informing him that he needs to attend the next Historic Preservation meeting or he would begin incurring fines on his building until it was fixed appropriately.

New Business

Jeff from TryLock Roofing was present to discuss 83_85 Webster Street. He is proposing that current brick wall be covered with siding due to wall being in poor condition. Pictures were passed of the brick wall. Jeff said that the existing wall is a multi-wythe brick wall and that in some areas the exterior brick is gone and you can see the second layer. He said they have tried to repair the wall and it keeps degrading.

Joe Fonzi told him that the commission cannot approve covering the brick with the siding, and that he needs to obtain real information on the condition of the existing brick from a mason or an appropriate Engineer or Architect.

Committee would send a follow up letter to Jeff letting him know we cannot allow the façade to just be covered up and we would need something from a masonry restoration company or an assessment from an engineer or architect with experience in brick restoration. The committee would then be able to discuss how it should be fixed or repaired.

Jeff also stated that they want to take the chimney down because it is unused now and is in bad condition. Joe mentioned bad condition is along the same guidelines as the wall, however if it is truly a safety concern that is another story entirely. We have guidelines for that but it has to be proven that it is a safety concern, from a professional.

Motion to adjourn at 6:48 pm.