

Amana Colonies Land Use District Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
January 27, 2020, 6:30 pm

- I. Call Meeting to Order. Chair Betsy Momany called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present: Momany, Peter Hoehnle, Elisha Presson-TePoel, Jeff Conquest and Administrator Elly Hoehnle. Absent: Judy Chesley
- II. Set/Amend Agenda. Motion by P. Hoehnle, second by Conquest to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
- III. Review/Approve minutes of December 16, 2019 meeting. Motion by Conquest, second by P. Hoehnle, to approve the minutes as presented.
- IV. Welcome visitors and allow citizens to speak on items not on the agenda. None
- V. Discussion/Action on the following permit application in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:
 - a. 2020-001 Carmine and Lisa Scarpa, 1309 220th Trail. Replace non-historic window. Applicant requested that a second window replacement (30"x57" opening) be added to the application. added a second kitchen window to the application. Motion by Conquest, second by Presson-TePoel to include second window as part of permit application. Motion carried 4-0. Discussion of window configuration according to Historic Architectural Guidelines. Motion by P. Hoehnle, second by Conquest, to recommend approval the replacement of the original window on the application as presented and recommend that the window for the 30"x57" opening be a 9/6 configuration. Motion carried 4-0.
 - b. 2010-004 Larry and Tonya Bern. 3138 Highway 6 Trail. Change of use: car wash to vehicle storage and personal vehicle maintenance and storage. Agent for applicant said property owners will be removing unlicensed, junk vehicles from property. Can car wash as approved use stand as car wash is non-functional? Property is not adjacent to a historic building; it is also not in the sight line of any historic structure. Still auto related. Not a huge jump to go from car wash to car storage (running, licensed vehicles.) No sales allowed. Motion to recommend change of use as presented by P. Hoehnle, second by Presson-TePoel. Rationale: the change of use is not a huge jump, there are no adjacent historic structures, the property is not in the sight line of any historic property, and no vehicle sales allowed. Motion carried. 4-0.
- VI. Other Business.
 - a. Discussion: CLG Report for 2019. P. Hoehnle and Presson-TePoel need to fill out information form. Discussion of continuing education requirements. What training does the HPC need the most? Sidewalks (problematic- ADA requirements vs. historic), alternative energy, fences, wind turbines, hog lots, etc. are all topics we need to learn more about. New building materials and opportunities.
 - b. Discussion: Preservation month/possible activities. Photography contest: amateur and professional categories. Possibility of working with Heritage Society and Arts Guild with each organization "sponsoring" a different category. Example: ACLUD: historic buildings, AHS: Historic tools, AAG: ? Prizes in each category. Photos submitted as matted, no size

requirement. One entry per person per category. Display at Art Guild? Prizes provided by the LUD. Begin advertising the first of March. Color or B/W. Submitting more than one photo in a category makes a participant ineligible in all categories.

- c. Discussion: Community Education. Discussion of providing community education on a variety of topics. Could we come up with a list of vendors and contractors who supply materials (such as ½ round gutters) and/or do such work. Presson-TePoel will bring some information regarding suppliers/contractors to the next meeting. Maybe have a window professional, show a mock-up of historic window, etc.
 - d. Discussion: document to present to BOT regarding awards. The Administrator provided Commissioners with a copy of the materials for an award program from many years ago. Discussion of categories. The Administrator will retype the document and send to HPC members. Talk to Jon C. about presenting awards at the AHS harvest dinner?
- VII. Administrator's Report. A question came up on the Historic Preservation Grant Program whether a grant could be requested for projects that have been started/completed. Need to make a change in the documents to state that the project must be a new project. The Administrator announced that she will be leaving by May 31.
- VIII. Chairman's Report. No report.
- IX. Adjourn into Ordinance review work session at 7:38 p.m.

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