Amana Colonies Land Use District Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
May 19, 2020, 6:30 p.m.
via Zoom App

An in-person meeting is not possible due to the CDC guidelines regarding social distancing to limit/ prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

I. Call Meeting to Order. Chair Betsy Momany requested that Jeff Conquest preside at the meeting as she may need to exit during the meeting. Conquest called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present: Conquest, B. Momany, Elisha Presson-TePoel, Alex Momany, Peter Hoehnle and Administrator Elly Hoehnle.

II. Set/Amend Agenda. Items V.b. Playground and V.c. Election of officers were added to the agenda. Motion by P. Hoehnle, second by Presson-TePoel, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 5-0.

III. Discussion/Action. Review/approve the following:
    a. April meeting minutes. Motion by P. Hoehnle, second by Presson-TePoel, to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0, with A. Momany abstaining.

IV. Discussion/Action on the following permit applications in a Historic Preservation Zoning District:

    a. 2020-052 Cherie Hansen-Rieskamp, 206 220th Trail. Replace front deck in kind, replace door on historic chicken coop with white steel door (with 9 lites), replace wood siding in kind, replace 4-pane and 9/6 pane wood windows with same size and configuration white vinyl windows. Motion by P. Hoehnle, second by Presson-TePoel to recommend approval of the application as follows: Replace front decking with treated wood, replace wood siding on chicken coop in kind, replace 6-pane and 9/6 windows in chicken coop with white vinyl windows in same size and configuration (applicant will measure panes in existing windows and supply information to Administrator), replace door with flat-panel steel door to be painted in a "faux wood" style to match siding on chicken coop. The Historic Preservation Commission notes that the chicken coop is a historic building that has undergone significant rehab, has been save from destruction, and the recommendations on the applicant will make the building more useful to the owner. Owner has agreed to donate wood sashed to the Colony Attic. Motion carried 5-0.

    b. 2020-052 Dennis Zuber, 4468 V St. Replace 2 sets of steps in front of house. Application is brought after approval of an ACLUD Historic Preservation Grant. Motion by Presson-TePoel, second by P. Hoehnle, to recommend approval as follows: Replace east steps with traditional wood steps and handrail, as specified in application and remove and replace west steps in same style as current steps. Motion carried 5-0.

V. Other Business.

    a. Administrator's Report. The Administrator reported on discussion about possible changes to HPC meeting times. This will be discussed in detail at the June HPC meeting. The Administrator is soliciting comments/input on the development of a new permit application to streamline the application process and provide all necessary information to the HPC and BOT at the time applications are reviewed.

      b.   Playground. Conquest received a question from a community member about the possibility of installing a children's playground in Amana. No action taken.

      c.   Election of officers. Conquest noted that the HPC did not hold an election of officers last year. Members agreed that the election would be held at the June HPC meeting.

VI.   Adjourn. Motion by Presson-TePoel, second by P. Hoehnle. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.