



**York Historical Architectural Review Board
Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2016**

Members in attendance included: Dennis Kunkle, Chair; Justine Landis; Becky Zeller; Dave Redshaw; Teresa Johnescu; W. Craig Zumbrun (6:05)

Absent: Mark Shermeyer; Robin Pottorff; John Fox

Consultant: Mary Alfson Tinsman, JMT Cultural Resource Manager/ HARB Consultant

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RESULT
Welcome and call to order Dennis Kunkle, Chair	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The agenda was prepared by the HARB Consultant.	A quorum was present.
Changes to the Agenda		
Minutes of February 11, 2016		Move to approve by Ms. Landis seconded by Ms. Johnescu. Approved.
Cases	The following cases are approved with the recommended actions.	

Case #1 – 130 E. Market Street

The application was presented by Jeff Hines, President of the York Water Company and both artists. The Water Company turns 200 this year and they are part of the York Hidden Art Tour (due to their interior ceiling). As part of their anniversary they are proposing to install a glass tile mosaic on the rear of the building. The mosaic will go on the rear of the building facing Mason and Howard Streets. The mosaic would be on the second floor above the existing awning. The mosaic would be constructed out of small glass tiles.

Mr. Hines presented the proposed color scheme on a display board. There are three windows, the smallest window would be covered by the mosaic. The tiles would be grouted in. Ms. Landis asked if the Water Company had the original sketch that the mosaic is based on and Mr. Hines indicated no. Mr. Kunkle stated that he believes that the Historic Society has it.

The mosaic is more durable and maintenance free than the traditional mosaic. Mr. Kunkle asked how the tiles are applied and the artists indicated that they are attached using a thin set directly onto the brick.

The grout is then added. Mr. Kunkle asked how it would appear up close and the artists indicated that it would appear pixelated and that the image would be clear from a greater distance. Ms. Landis asked about the grout color and they indicated light gray.

Mr. Redshaw asked what would happen to the small window that would be covered. Mr. Hines indicated that it would be bricked or blocked in so that it could later be restored. The sill would be removed and blocked in flush with the building wall. The sills on the other two windows will be remaining. The medallions will also be retained. The tile will be water cut to surround the medallions.

Motion: Ms. Landis moved to accept the application as submitted. Ms. Zeller seconded the motion.

Motion: The motion was approved 6 to 0.

Case #2 – 44 E. Philadelphia Street

The applicant was represented by Jim Hershey, general contractor. He is proposing a pair of handrails on the building that match those on the adjoining building. They are also going to replace the existing basement doors and are proposing a set of “Bilco” doors that match those on the adjacent building. The existing doors are flat. He will put a concrete curb around the basement opening and then install the doors.

Motion: Mr. Redshaw moved to approve the application as presented. Ms. Landis seconded.

Motion: The motion was approved 6 to 0.

Case #3 – 110 N. George Street

The applicant was not present at the meeting. The Board elected to review the application without the applicant. The applicant proposes to remove an existing door and replace it with a window. The new window will match those immediately adjacent to it and the decorative sill and raised panel detail will be extended across the old door opening.

The HARB consultant presented additional information on the history of the building – it was constructed ca. 1905 for the D.S. Peterman Company and was used for retail shoe sales with offices on the second and third floors. The building was sold in 2002 to Wagman Construction who rehabilitated the building for a cost of \$4.3 million dollars. The building won a 2005 Preservation Pennsylvania award for the excellent preservation and restoration work that was done.

Ms. Zeller asked if the first floor façade was original, and the HARB Consultant indicated yes, according to the information that was found. Other board members confirmed this, noting the restoration work that had been done uncovered the decorative trim that is on the façade.

Motion: Mr. Redshaw moved to deny the application as presented. Ms. Landis seconded.

Motion: The motion was denied 6 to 0.

Case #4 – 334 W. Market Street

The application was presented by Charles Reineberg, C.P. Reineberg Company.

Mr. Redshaw recused himself from the discussion due to familial relationship to Mr. Reineberg.

Mr. Reineberg presented photographs of the structure. The wall facing Mason Avenue is bowing out and the roof has a 20+ square foot hole. There are also broken rafters and floor joists. There is a large hole on the second floor as well. Mr. Kunkle asked the relationship of Mr. Reineberg to the property owner and Mr. Reineberg indicated that he is the demolition contractor. Mr. Kunkle noted that this is basically demolition by neglect. The applicant indicated that the owner plans to rebuild in the near future. The concrete slab will be left in place. Mr. Kunkle indicated that the proposed plans for new construction will need to be presented to the Board.

Motion: Mr. Zumbrun moved to approve the application as presented. Ms. Zeller seconded.

Motion: The motion was approved 5 to 0.

Other business: None.

Adjourning and next meeting **The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm; motion by Ms. Johnescu and second by Mr. Zumbrun; the next scheduled meeting is set for Thursday March 10, 2016.**

Minutes recorded by Mary Alfson Tinsman, JMT Cultural Resource Professional/ HARB Consultant.