

MINUTES

Members Present:	G. Bruhn, D. Spencer, E. Spencer
Alternates Present:	M. Mitoma
Members Absent:	L. Kruger
Staff Present:	L. Painter, Director of Planning and Development; J. Woodmansee, Planner I

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Bruhn called the April 28, 2021 regular meeting of the Historic District Commission to order at 6:43 p.m. Members present are Bruhn, D. Spencer and E. Spencer, and alternate Mitoma who is seated for absent member Kruger.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Spencer MOVED, E. Spencer seconded, to approve the December 16, 2020 regular meeting Minutes as presented.

Motion PASSED unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a small food pantry at 549 Storrs Road (Mansfield Center); Reverend Joseph Blotz, Applicant/First Church of Christ, Owner (File H0006).

Painter provided an overview of the application for the Commission, including staff's recommendation that the applicant file the request for the Commission's review.

Members questioned Reverend Blotz regarding location and nature of the food pantry.

E. Spencer MOVED, D. Spencer seconded, that a Certificate of Appropriateness will not be required due to the temporary nature of the food box.

Painter noted that another church was working on a similar request; staff will advise them that if their food pantry is similar to the one reviewed by the Commission, no Certificate of Appropriateness will be required.

B. Update on Mansfield Historical Society Grant Application, 954 Storrs Road (Spring Hill)

Mitoma MOVED to authorize Chair to write a letter on behalf of the Historic District Commission asking to be involved in discussion regarding the future of the Historical Society building.

Members expressed interest in reviewing the letter prior to submission. Due to FOIA requirements, Painter advised such review and comment would need to be provided in a meeting and not through email.

Mitoma WITHDREW the motion.

Bruhn will draft a letter for review and discussion at the May meeting. E. Spencer requested a copy of the architectural assessment report be provided to the Commission prior to the next meeting as it will inform the letter.

STAFF UPDATE

Grant Application: Improvements to Intersection of Route 89 and Route 195

Painter provided an update to the Commission on the recent application for earmark funding for improvements to the intersection of Route 89 and Route 195 and noted that if the funding is received, the Commission would be provided with an opportunity to comment on proposed improvements in accordance with statutory requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Emmy A. Galbraith
Administrative Assistant