

Historic District Commission Meeting  
Thursday, August 27, 2009  
**Approved December 21, 2009**  
Council Chambers, City Hall, Claremont at 7:00 pm

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Chair Messier at 7:00 PM

- I. ROLL CALL
  - a. Present: Jason Farrell, John Hall, Brian Rapp, James Gagnon, David Messier & Deborah Cutts
  - b. Absent: Trinity Earle
  
- II. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY One correction to the June Minutes should be to remove a typographical error  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way down the page. Should read "Discussion was made..." "It was has been removed."  
Motion to: Accept amended minutes.  
Made by: Deborah Cutts, Second by: John Hall
  
- III. NEW BUSINESS
  - (07-2009) Union Block Company, Gary Trottier, 1 Pleasant Street, Claremont, NH. – A Certificate of Appropriateness was submitted in May, 2009 and approved for Suite 120. The condition was placed to have applicant return in August, 2009 for further approval of remainder of the building. Tax Map 120, Lot 53, Zone B-1

## Open Public Hearing

No abutters present.

Proposal was made to install insulated glass, with frosted lexan overlaid with thin wood composite material designed to mimic leaded stained glass.

The surface behind the fascia has an arch that is missing part of the arch. That can be replaced with architectural worked cement. The method for cleaning brick will be gentle and in keeping with the Department of Interior standards.

It was also noted and discussed that the new door installed for the Union Block apartments is different from the approved design. Mr. Trottier explained that the mistake was made by the General Contractor. The approved door was to be fiberglass, so that it would closely match the original door. The new door that was installed is metal.

Mr. Trottier asked that the commission accept the metal door at this time with the assurance that the remaining storefront doors would be installed as proposed and approved. He also said he would try to relocate the metal door for use as an interior partition in the future and would then replace it with the approved fiberglass design.

There was consensus among the board to accept the metal door frame to the apartments with the hope that they would be replaced in the future as represented by Mr. Trottier.

### Closed Public Hearing

For proposal of faux stained glass transept.

Criteria #1 – motion that design and materials are compatible with historic design of building.

Criteria #2 – not applicable

Criteria #3 – not applicable

Criteria #4 – not applicable

Criteria #5 – motion that it will have a positive impact on the setting.

Criteria #6 – application is in keeping with the Secretary of Interior's Guidelines for Rehabilitation.

Made by: Mr. Farrell Second: Mr. Gagnon Vote: Unanimous

(08-2009) Douglas Roberts, 11 Oakwood Drive, Claremont, NH. – Certificate of Appropriateness Application has been submitted requesting approval for a second means of egress located on the exterior of house located at 34 Union Street, Tax Map 37, Lot 12, Zone I-2.

Applicant not present. Motion to continue the application to the next regular meeting.

Made by: Mr. Farrell Second: Mr. Gagnon Vote: Unanimous

### VII. Correspondence

Certificate of Appropriateness

- Legacy Holdings, LLC
- Union Block, LLC

### VIII. Adjournment

Motion to: Adjourn

Made by: Mrs. Cutts Second: Mr. Hall

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted By,

John Hall  
Vice Chair