

# Sykesville Historic District Commission Minutes

## May 24, 2023

The Sykesville Historic District Commission (SHDC) meeting was held on May 24, 2023 in the Conference Room at the Sykesville Town House. Commissioner Bederka called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Chad Bederka, Michael Johnston, Eric Manas, and Richard McCullough. Council Member Anna Carter

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Michael Marsden

**STAFF:** Kerry Kavaloski, Town Clerk

### **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:**

- # 2023-07                      Tree Removal  
The applicant was present to discuss this application. Two arborists have declared the tree over 50% dead and recommended its removal.

Commissioner Manas motioned to approve application #2023-07 as submitted for the removal of two trees at 7344 Springfield Avenue. Commissioner McCullough seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

- #2023-08                      Applied Business Sign  
The applicant was present to discuss this application. There is currently no signage on the building. The logo is just the script writing of the business name. The size of the sign is in compliance with the regulations in the Guidelines. The sign will be mounted directly to the building with the existing blue signboard area visible behind the letters.

Commissioner Johnston motioned to approve application #2023-08 for an applied wall sign for 7526 Main Street, Suite 101, as it is in compliance with the Guidelines. Commissioner McCullough seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

- Minutes from April 26, 2023 – Commissioner McCullough motioned to approve the minutes from April 26. Commissioner Johnston seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Town Clerk, Kerry Kavaloski, asked the Commission to provide resumes to her as part of the Town becoming a Certified Local Government through the Maryland Historical Trust.

Ms. Kavaloski also reminded the Commission about the Warfield tours being presented by the Gate House Museum and asked that if any Commissioner is interested, to please let her know so she can RSVP to the Gate House.

Ms. Kavaloski also updated the Commission on the progress of the Guidelines update. She explained that the progress is continuing, including the change of A, B, C, D, and E designations switched to Contributing and Non-Contributing. A draft will be sent to the Commission for review. There was a discussion regarding paint choices as well.

Council Member Carter gave an update regarding the process to take back the historic buildings in the Warfield. The Commission asked about a bus stop in the townhome section of Warfield that was on the plans but has not been built. Ms. Kavaloski was unaware of plans for a bus stop but will ask the Town Planner, Kevin Rubenstein, about it.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner McCullough and seconded by Commissioner Johnston to adjourn at 7:17 P.M. The Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kerry Kavaloski, Recording Secretary