

Sykesville Historic District Commission Minutes

September 27, 2022

The Sykesville Historic District Commission (SHDC) meeting was held on September 27, 2022 in the Conference Room at the Sykesville Town House. Commissioner Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Commissioners Michael Johnston, Richard McCullough, and Jeannie Nichols.
Council Member Anna Carter

ABSENT: Commissioner Chad Bederka

STAFF: Kerry Kavaloski, Town Clerk

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:

- # 2022-19 Sandwich Board Sign
The applicant was in attendance. He explained that the sandwich board sign would be placed outside while the business is open only. When it closes, it will be brought inside. A clearance of the sidewalk will be maintained to allow for pedestrian access.

There was a discussion regarding signs with plastic sign area backing. This proposed sign has a metal frame but a PVC sign area. The attachable letters are plastic as well. The applicant does not think there are non-plastic signs that are not chalkboard.

The SHDC decided to look at other sandwich board signs in Town and asked the applicant to bring his sandwich board sign to the next meeting so the Commissioners could view it in person.

- #2022-20 Gutter Replacement
The applicant was in attendance. He explained that he would like to remove the existing round gutters and replace them with slightly larger sized round gutters.

Commissioner McCullough motioned to approve application #2022-20 for gutter replacement at 7318 Springfield Avenue with the stipulation that the gutters be non-reflective as that is in compliance with the Guidelines on page 24. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

BUSINESS:

- Commissioner Nichols announced her resignation from the SHDC. The October 25 meeting will be her last. Other Commissioners and Council Member Carter thanked her for volunteering.
- There was a brief discussion regarding alternative materials, and Town Clerk Kerry Kavaloski explained that alternative materials can be part of the Guideline update. She asked

all the Commissioners to begin reviewing the Guidelines and make notes of any sections that they find particularly confusing or in need of an update.

- There were violations noted of the neon lights in the windows of Headmasters and the Band Shoppe, along with the 7556 Bistro having their windows covered in menus.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Nichols and seconded by Commissioner Johnston to adjourn at 7:48 P.M. The Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kerry Kavaloski, Recording Secretary