

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CLEVELAND HERITAGE COMMISSION

July 14, 2022

**Members present:** Jordan Goins, Judy Dilworth, Cetin Oguz, Corinne Casanova, Mickey Thompson, Jonett Valentine, Lynn Shurden, Judy Wilson, Lisa Miller

**Ex-Officio members present:** Billy Trotter, Katie Portner McClellan, Connie McClellan

Chair Lynn Shurden called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

After review of the minutes of the June 2022 meeting, Mickey Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Jonett Valentine seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, with no opposition.

**Financial Report**

The Heritage Commission reviewed the monthly financial report. The only expenditures for the previous month were the travel expenses for Cetin Oguz to attend the Preservation Bootcamp.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Sparklight Cable and Brad Powell of Precision Lawn and Dirt submitted an application for demolition of the storm damaged buildings in the rear of the property at 221 S. Sharpe Avenue. Brad Powell will tear down the damaged buildings, clean up the property, add fresh rock, and install a new section of fence to match the existing fence. He will install a construction fence to keep the job site safe during the work. Mickey Thompson made a motion to approve the application for the demolition and the installation of the new fence. Cetin Oguz seconded the motion, and the vote was all in favor, with no opposition.

Homer Sledge III submitted an application for the property located at 315 N. Sharpe Avenue. Cleveland Lumber will remove the gutters, replace and paint the rotten fascia boards. They would also like to cover the existing broken windows with plywood. Historic guidelines specify that building owners can not eliminate original windows. The windows must be repaired or replaced. They can be covered temporarily for up to 90 days. These repairs are only temporary fixes to secure the building. If the building is sold, the future owner must be informed that any work will have to meet historic guidelines. Judy Dilworth made a motion to approve the application for the noted repairs and allow temporary boards over the windows to secure the building. Future repairs will have to be made to retain the historic integrity of the building. Jonett Valentine seconded the motion. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Fresenius Kidney Center located at 222 N. Pearman Avenue submitted an application to install a metal awning to replace the original fabric awning which was damaged in a recent storm. Approval from the Heritage Commission was required since the material of the awning was changed. Lisa Miller made a motion to approve the application, and Jordan Goins seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, with no opposition.

Lynn Shurden discussed the need for special projects for the Heritage Commission. Two recommendations were a disaster plan for the Historic District and an updated survey of the Historic District. Corinne Casanova and Lisa Miller will work together to determine what will be needed for the disaster plan. Lynn Shurden will contact MDAH for recommendations on someone to work on the updated survey.

### **Reports**

Frances Janoush reported on ongoing projects at the Chamber.

The Chamber is interested in purchasing the Coca-Cola building, and possibly renovating it to be used as a commercial kitchen. They are also working with Fleming Lumber on possible preservation of the old ice house.

The Chamber will be adding more benches to the north end of the walking trail for the river boat visitors.

Fifteen bike racks are being installed in the downtown area. The Chamber is seeking sponsors to help purchase the new racks.

The first phase of work on the breezeway has been completed. The next phases will include improvements to the interior of the breezeway and signage for the parking areas. Additional funding will be needed for these next phases.

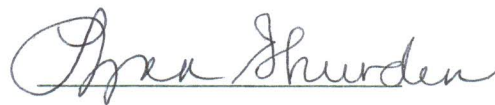
Two architects recently visited downtown in order to look at the existing gazebo, and determine whether it should be renovated or removed. One recommendation is to remove the gazebo and build a larger event pavilion at another spot in the downtown area.

The Martin and Sue King Railroad Heritage Museum will be installing a playscape for visitors.

The Chamber is considering a crosswalk and sidewalk to the Grammy Museum from the downtown.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Lynn Shurden, Chair