



CITY OF ST. MARYS

418 OSBORNE STREET

ST. MARYS, GEORGIA 31558

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 25th, 2017
City Hall Council Chambers
5:30PM

I CALL TO ORDER:

With the resignation of Commissioner and Chair Peggy Trader, Interim Commissioner Thurner called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

II ROLL CALL:

Quorum was met, with Christopher Thurner, Kay Westberry, Fred Mercier and Monty Baus present, Julie Banks, was absent and Peggy Trader tendered her resignation on Wednesday, July 12, 2017.

III APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Commissioner Baus and seconded by Commissioner Westberry, minutes were unanimously approved.

IV PRESENTATIONS: None

V GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC: None

VI NEW BUSINESS:

1. **TREE REMOVAL:** Edmund N. Marx, 102 East Weed Street, St. Marys, GA, 31558, has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness request to remove two trees at 102 East Weed Street. The property is zoned C-1, Tax Parcel S41 05 010.
TABLED TO AUGUST

No representative was present to give evidence.

2. **ALTERATION:** George A. Beaver, 204 Bartlett Street, St. Marys, GA, 31558, has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness request to add a lattice around the base of 210 Wheeler Street. The property is zoned R-1, Tax Parcel S41 06 002.
APPROVED

Mr. Beaver presented materials and discussion focused on plastic vs. wood for the lattice work around the base of the structure. Mr. Beaver gave evidence that any wooden lattice would be eaten by termites and plastic would be the only sensible and lasting solution. On a motion by Commissioner Baus and seconded by Commissioner Mercier, the HPC unanimously approved the plastic lattice as proposed.

3. **TREE REMOVAL:** George A. Beaver, 204 Bartlett Street, St. Marys, GA, 31558, has submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove a tree at 204 Bartlett Street. The property is zoned R-1, Tax Parcel S40 02 002.
APPROVED

Mr. Beaver provided pictures of the diseased water oak needing removal and no discussion was necessary. Upon a motion by Commissioner Westberry and seconded by Commissioner Mercier, the HPC Unanimously approved the removal of the tree.

VII OLD BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Commissioner Mercier and seconded by Commissioner Baus, to amend the agenda and move old business before new business and hear Mr. Stover's submittal of evidence, in regards to 506 Ready St., approved at the June HPC Meeting, which passed unanimously. Mr. Stover presented pictures of 506 Ready St from the historic record, as was requested and presented example pictures of 2" by 2" posts for the porch railings. The Commission unanimously approved the 2" by 2" railings.

VIII DISCUSSION:

HPC voiced concern over the state of the waterfront, specifically the trash cans and dumpsters that litter St. Marys Street. Staff stated that the City is working on a short-term solution, by working with Advanced Disposal on timing of pickups and alternate dumpsters; and a long-term solution, should be found in the waterfront project, beginning early next year. The HPC will consider drafting a letter to the Council if conditions don't improve

IX GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. George Beaver, of 204 Bartlett St., stated what an asset the Community Development Department's past employee, Michele Wood, was to the City and how her dedicated service and amazing customer service benefitted all those who had dealings with the Department over the past eleven years. She will be missed.

X ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Mercier and seconded by Commissioner Westberry, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Next Public Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission: The next regular monthly meeting will be August 22nd, 2017, at 5:30PM in the Council Chambers at 418 Osborne Street, St. Marys, GA.

GENERAL NOTES FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

All items presented and discussed at the meeting were presented in an open forum so that the audience heard any discussions concerning applications. Meeting is being voice recorded as per City of St. Marys' procedures. If you have any special needs, please contact our office at (912) 510-4025 and we will do our best to accommodate you.