

Minutes for March 9, 2021 HPC meeting

The minutes from the February 9, 2021 were read and approved.

2 permits were discussed.

1. A message from Darin & Amanda Breza informed the HPC that they would not be building due to a job change and would therefore be selling their lot.

2. Cris and Molly Hofschulte submitted a design application for building a home at their property in the Villa subdivision Lot 003. The application was approved as submitted.

Old Business:

-The CLG grant has been submitted. The date for awarding is April 23.

-The documentation for the Valhalla park black locust trees historic legacy acceptance was presented to the park board. At the park board there was an unanimous decision to have the 14 black locust trees remain in the park

but not with legacy status. We thank the park board for retaining the trees and look forward to more open communication between the committees as the restoration of the parks progresses.

-We continued discussing the possibility of bringing broadband into the historic district. Todd Avery has been in contact with Barb Haley and she is looking into what Goodhue County is currently doing. We will be looking into

other districts to see how it is handled. We also wanted to encourage the other commissions as well as local citizens to either call or write to their local government officials if there is interest in pursuing getting broadband.

-No update on the subcommittee report regarding the bylaw/ ordinance issue. We will be meeting on Tues March 16 to continue the discussion prior to bringing it forward to the individual

commissions.

New Business:

-Discussed a possible need for an HPC budget. Will continue discussion for future concerns.

-Discussed reviewing the HPC design guidelines and organizing a check list to present to applicants.

-Briefly discussed the definition of "demolition by neglect" for historic homes. We will be researching this process.

-Read the annual report that was presented at the town board annual meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Kouchich, HPC chair