

CITY OF OSKALOOSA
MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
November 26, 2013

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Oskaloosa was called to order at 12:05 pm on Tuesday, November 26, 2013, at the City Hall Conference Room 220 S. Market St. Oskaloosa, Iowa.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Margaret Ademeit, Jo Broerman, Wanda Gardner, Julie Hansen.

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Kerri Boender, James Hansen, Jeff Sisul.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Public Works Director: Akhilesh Pal, Building Official: Dave Weide.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Applicant: Judy Uitermarkt, Tim Sadler, Sadler Sign & Design

Minutes from the November 15, 2013 meeting.

Gardner moved to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2013 meeting.

Julie Hansen seconded.

Vote: YES: Ademeit, Broerman, Gardner and Julie Hansen

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Boender, James Hansen, Sisul

MOTION CARRIED

Consider approval of signage for 201 High Avenue East.

The applicant explained to the Commission her wish to use the company logo and sign as she had paid a lot of money for the right to use it. Tim Sadler of Sadler Sign and Design explained the new proposed sign would not cover the entire leaded glass portion but would leave a border of leaded glass showing around the new sign. The Historic Commission members explained their concerns about covering the leaded glass above the store windows, the font being proposed and the colors of the sign. Members of the Commission cited sections S.9 and S.10 of the Design Guidelines for the City Square Commercial Historic District regarding the typefaces and colors. Mr. Sadler explained how the sign would be installed to limit the amount of leaded glass obstructed by the proposed sign. Ms. Uitermarkt stated the leaded glass portion of the windows is in bad shape and the owner has covered it with another piece of glass to protect it from the weather.

Julie Hansen moved to approve the new design for the sign as proposed by the applicant.

MOTION Failed due to a lack of a second.

Commission Member Sisul arrived at the meeting at 12:20pm

The Commission members continued their discussion regarding the sign location and size. Mr. Sadler stated the Commission cannot deny the applicant the right to use a copyright sign. He stated this is the corporate logo for "Total Choice Shipping and Printing". He offered to change the colors and typeface on the "GG's Marketplace" portion of the sign.

Sisul moved to approve the sign using a "Times" font.

Julie Hansen seconded.

Vote: YES: Sisul and Julie Hansen

NO: Ademeit, Broerman, Gardner

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Boender, James Hansen

MOTION failed due to lack of majority on the vote.

Mr. Sadler again informed the Commission that they could not deny the applicant the right to use the official corporate sign. Staff recommended the proposal be tabled to another date when the City Attorney could be present to respond to the legality of denying the applicant the right to use the copyrighted corporate logo.

The Commission agreed to hold the next meeting on December 11th at 12:30 pm.

Sisul moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:35pm

Gardner seconded.

Vote; YES: Sisul, Ademeit, Broerman, Gardner, Julie Hansen,

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Boender, James Hansen

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 12:35pm.

Minutes by Dave Weide