

# HASTINGS HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## Minutes of the Meeting of June 18, 2024

Held at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, Volunteer Room

- I. Call to Order and Quorum** Youngren, Peterson, McCoy, Bremer, Simacek, and Toppin  
Absent, Borchardt, Alitz Edell, and Smith  
Staff: Fortney

### II. Minutes:

- A. May 21, 2024** Approved by Chair Toppin

### III. Certificate of Approval Review

- A. 413 2<sup>nd</sup> St W – Relocate a garage – Concept Review.**

Fortney presented the staff report. Fred Weiland, applicant, explained that he wanted to move a house that was formerly a barn from 415 2<sup>nd</sup> Street West to just west of his house at 413 2<sup>nd</sup> Street West. He said it just over 700 square feet and would be set on a floating concrete slab.

Fortney said the move would require a public hearing for the next meeting in July. Commissioner Peterson asked if any trees would need to be removed. Weiland responded that he hopes to avoid the removal of any trees. Commissioners asked questions about orientation and location. Commissioners did not share any specific concerns with the general concept. The applicant is intending to apply for a Certificate of Approval for the July 16, 2024 HPC meeting.

- B. 312 2<sup>nd</sup> Street W – Siding trim**

Fortney presented the staff report. He added that the contractor led the homeowner to believe the subject work was necessary due to pending weather last year and this spring they would fix it correctly. Since then, the contractor said the insurance company reviewed the work and believes it was adequate as a permanent change.

Commissioner Simacek said the added trim is not the original design but is sometimes done on modern homes to repair deteriorated cement board ends where they are near the roof. He added that the corner boards should not have been cut and is the main reason the work looks so poor.

**Motion by Commissioner Bremer to deny the request based on the following findings of fact, seconded by Commissioner Peterson. Approved 7-0**

- **The Design Guidelines require repair and maintenance of clapboard siding.**
- **Replacement of damaged clapboards with new wood materials to match the old is allowed as necessary.**
- **The Design Guidelines only allow additional trim details to be added if supported by historic photos or pattern book sources.**

Chair Toppin said in the future when a roofing permit is approved, it should come with a full notice that the property is designated as a Heritage Preservation Site and HPC approval is required for any related work that may come up during the project. She added that the roofers doing the work may not even be aware the home is designated.

**IV. OHDS – Original Hastings Design Standards Review**

**V. Business and Information**

**VI. Adjourn**

**Motion by Commissioner McCoy to adjourn at 8:05 pm, seconded by Commissioner Simacek. Approved 5-0**

Respectfully Submitted - Justin Fortney