

**VAN BUREN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 12, 2005**

The Van Buren Historic District Committee held its monthly meeting Thursday, May 12, 2005 in the City Council Room at the Van Buren Municipal Complex.

MEMBER PRESENT:

**John Symonds, Chairman
Ralph Irwin
Larry Weir
Dwight Hopkins**

OTHERS PRESENT:

**Cami Brown, Rec. Sec.
Alicia Fant
Kristie Bartley**

Chairman John Symonds called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. The first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved unanimously.

Next item of business was COA for signage for Nanny's Game Room, represented by Kristie Bartley. Dwight Hopkins made the motion that the signage would not affect the surrounding property. This motion was seconded by Ralph Irwin. After discussion and agreement that the letter coloring would be India Trade, and any lights placed in windows would not be animated, a motion was made by Dwight Hopkins to approve COA, seconded by Ralph Irwin, and carried with a unanimous vote.

Next item up in front of the Commission was COA for signage for Dave's Hobbies and Collectibles, represented by Alicia Fant. Motion was made by Larry Weir that this would not affect the surrounding property, and was seconded by Dwight Hopkins. This motion carried with a unanimous vote. After discussion of the color for the signage, which was Curry, a motion was made by Larry Weir to approve COA, seconded by Dwight Hopkins, and carried with a unanimous vote.

The next COA was for signage for Van Buren Inn & Coffee House, Sherry Jones-Tompkins. Ms. Tompkins was not present, so the Commission tabled this COA.

Chairman John Symonds, at this time, stated he wanted to show on record that the Commission would like to thank Cami Brown and Brad Baldwin for their efforts in assisting with setting up a page on the Van Buren City Website for the Historic District Commission. Mr. Symonds also stated that Commission members' terms would be up in June and he was considering stepping down as Chairman of the Historic District Committee, but would consider co-chairing the Commission. He

stated the Commission could table this until next month, and at that time the Commission needed to be prepared to fill the empty position on the Commission as well as hopefully have some suggestions for Chairman position.

A schedule of various meetings being held the remainder of the year was given to the members of the Commission by Recording Secretary Cami Brown.

At this time, the meeting was adjourned.

John Symonds, Chairman

Cami Brown, Rec. Secretary