

**HISTORIC DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2006**

The Van Buren Historic District held its monthly meeting in the Municipal Court Room, due to special session of City Council, at the Municipal Complex. The following items were on the agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from the last meeting
2. C of A for signage for the Chamber of Commerce, 510 Main St.
3. Darb's Antique Mall, represented by Sheila Bell, to discuss the back of that building, location being 606 Main Street
4. Review of C of A for 616 Main Street, Carl Solley, owner
5. Any other business that comes before the Committee

PRESENT:

Dwight Hopkins, Chairman
Roy Hebard
Paul Gibson
Cami Brown, Rec. Secretary
Nicole Moore, Chamber of Commerce

ABSENT:

John Symonds, Co-Chairman
Vickie Davis

Dwight Hopkins called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M. First item reviewed by the Commission were the minutes from the last meeting. Minutes were approved.

Next item reviewed by the Commission was Certificate of Appropriateness for signage for Chamber of Commerce, 510 Main Street. The Chamber has a sign, with white background they wish to hang on back of building to help the public locate their office. After some discussion, the Commission agreed to allow this sign to be hung, with the understanding if complaints come to the Commission about the white background on the sign, the Commission would have to ask the Chamber to remove the sign. The hanging sign, which was designed by Ralph Irwin, which hangs under awning in front of the building falls under HDC guidelines. This sign had previously been approved by the Commission to hang at the Depot when Chamber office was located there, and needed no further review. The last signage reviewed was the sandwich board sign, 24x36, which will sit in front of Chamber of

Commerce during the day, and will be brought in off the sidewalk each day at closing. Roy Hebard made a motion that all signage does not affect the surrounding buildings, and this motion was given a second by Paul Gibson. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Next, Roy Hebard made a motion to approve all signage for Chamber of Commerce, with the above comments noted of C of A. Paul Gibson seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Darb's Antique Mall was on agenda for discussion about the back of their building, but this will be done at a later date.

Last item for the Commission was a discussion and update on Carl Solley's progress on his building. Chairman Dwight Hopkins informed the Commission he and Mr. Solley were keeping in touch, and progress on building is good. Mr. Solley will continue to keep the Commission current, and will bring the next phase to the Commission in the form of C of A.

Chairman Dwight Hopkins informed the Commission that Jody Rhoads had decided that if City Council approved it, he would be glad to fill spot coming open on our Historic District Commission. Roy Hebard, Commission member, had decided not to serve another term for personal reasons, and the Commission agreed to draft a letter to City Council requesting approval of Jody Rhoads for the position.

With no other business to come before the Commission, this meeting was adjourned.

Dwight Hopkins, Chairman

Cami L. Brown, Rec. Sec.