

**MINUTES  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**November 10, 2016**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

In the absence of the Chairman, a motion was made by Ms. Yates, seconded by Ms. Roy to appoint Chris Cummins to conduct the meeting. The November meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 6:35 p.m. by Commissioner Chris Cummins.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Batistich, Cummins, Flynn, Roy, Schwartz and Yates present. Chairman Barbara Buschman absent. Heather Valone, Village Planner and Trustee Liaison Ron Stapleton were present, and the owners of 10 E. Illinois, John & Mary Splitt.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Ms. Roy, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2016 meeting with one correction: Under New Business the discussion of the building at 326 Main, the word “symmetry” should be changed to “scale.” Voice vote: 6 ayes. Motion passed.

**IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

**V. PUBLIC HEARING**

**VI. APPLICATIONS**

**B. Certificate of Appropriateness**

**New Windows – 10 E. Illinois Street.**

Ms. Valone presented the application and property owners John and Mary Splitt were present. The owners presented drawings and descriptions of replacement windows for the existing windows on the brick residence consisting of 2 double hung windows and 3 casement windows. The new windows will be white, aluminum clad, and sized within the existing openings on the front and one side of the house. The two double hung are ap. 27 x 65” and the triple casement windows will contain a center window with opening windows on either side, ap. 73 x 65.” After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Yates, seconded by Ms. Roy, to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for installation of 5 windows per the specifications submitted with the application. Voice vote: 6 ayes. Motion passed.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Valone requested the commission’s input on the vacant building at 213-215 Illinois Street, which has been reduced to \$50,000 by the listing agency. The most recent use of the building was multi-family residential, but the building is severely limited by the absence of parking. The building is classified as potentially significant and contributing to the Historic District as an I-House, a unique style of building in the district. There are no others. Various resolutions were discussed as to the parking issue, but the vaulted sidewalk on the north side of Illinois Street is certainly a complication for its potential use. It could possibly accommodate a mixed use with office/residential, or some similar configuration. The interior of the building has been heavily damaged, so it will be a difficult rehab.

**VIII. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

**A. Update: St. James Academy**

Mr. Batistich updated the Commission on the old St. Patrick school building. The

developer and the Archdiocese/Parish have resolved the remaining issues and entered into a tentative contract. The developer is in the due diligence period, and if he finds all in order, the contract will be finalized.

**IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

**X. ADJOURN**

Motion by Ms. Roy, seconded by Mr. Flynn, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.  
Voice vote: 6 ayes. Meeting adjourned.