



**Town of Port Deposit
Historic Area Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2023
Held off-site at 75 N. Main Street**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Harbold called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. as it was recessed at the January 18, 2023 meeting.

PRESENT: Chair Harbold, Commissioner Wertsch, Commissioner Brant, and Vice Chair Ockuly.

ABSENT: ~~and~~ Commissioner Barchowsky

OLD BUSINESS:

File: 02-2023 – 75 N. Main Street – Application for demolition of addition on the back half of the house. Stones and foundation to stay on site.

The Commission met off-site at 75 N. Main Street to view the outside of the property from North Main Street. Chair Harbold clarified that the previous owner of the property was approved to demolish a small section on the back of the property, however Mr. Kline's application (02-2023) is requesting demolition of the entire back half of the property. She stated that the property appears overgrown with ivy but looking from the outside, it does not seem to have severe structure damage.

Vice Chair Ockuly stated that he does not see evidence of the structure being pulled away from the granite as suggested by the applicant. The small shed roof area that was previously applied for does have merit for removal but the main structure and roof seems intact and not an immediate danger.

Commission Brant stated that it is clear that the home has not been occupied since the flood in 2011. The windows are boarded up, damage to the shutter and facia. It is hard to determine if the structure is leaning from their view looking at the property.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brant to recess the meeting again with the request for the applicant to provide photos of the interior for the commission to make a more informed decision. Seconded by Vice Chair Ockuly. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was recessed at 2:20 PM.

The meeting was recorded and audio is available upon request.

Approved:



Melissa Harbold, Chair


Ryan Ockuly, Vice-Chair