

PRESENT Loretta Frankovitch, Rita Geiben, Pete Coppins, Jim Fittante, Chris O’Hara, Historian Russ Piper, Deputy Clerk Donna Cassick, Clerk Shannon Fundis

CALL TO ORDER Loretta Frankovitch called the Historical Preservation Commission meeting to order at 6:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES A motion was made by Pete Coppins seconded by Jim Fittante and passed with three yes votes to approve the March 11, 2024 minutes as submitted. Loretta Frankovitch and Rita Geiben abstained.

OLD BUSINESS **315 Center Street – Designation by Resolution**
Deputy Clerk Cassick explained that at the last meeting it was voted on to historically designate 315 Center St. but by village code would need to be voted on by resolution.

A motion was made by Chris O’Hara seconded by Pete Coppins to approve the following resolution:

HISTORIC DESIGNATION OF 315 CENTER STREET

WHEREAS, the Village of Lewiston Historic Preservation Commission, in accordance with the provisions of Local Law No. 1-1978, proposes to designate as historically significant the property referred to on the Tax Map of the Village of Lewiston as TM# 101-10-2-53 and which is known as 315 Center Street and

WHEREAS, the property owner was invited to a public meeting held on December 11, 2023 and the owner did not object to the proposed designation, and

WHEREAS, said property was reviewed in light of the standards set forth and referred to in Local Law No. 1-1978.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the members of the Village of Lewiston Historic Preservation Commission as follows:

That the aforementioned property is hereby designated as historically significant in accordance with Local Law No. 1-1978.

Deputy Clerk Cassick polled the board and the motion passed as follows:

Geiben – YES O’Hara – YES Coppins – YES Fittante – YES Frankovitch - YES

NEW BUSINESS **453 Center Street – Gather – Sign Application, New Light, Four Generic Words**
Owner Michael Hibbard explained they will replace the existing light with a protruding directional light. It will be the exact same light that is on the Gallo building. We will remove the existing sign and put channel letters in black metal and replace American Eatery with Restaurant/Bar. We would like to put the words Steak, Seafood, Pasta, Wine in the four spaces above the windows and have it protruding a little from the building just like the Gather sign to match.

A motion was made by Chris O’Hara seconded by Rita Geiben and passed unanimously to approve the protruding light over the sign at 453 Center St. as presented.

A motion was made by Jim Fittante seconded by Pete Coppins and passed unanimously to approve the sign application for 453 Center Street as presented.

A motion was made by Rita Geiben seconded by Chris O’Hara and passed unanimously to approve the four generic words over the windows as presented.

402 Center Street – Gallo- Sign Application

Loretta stated that the Gallo wall sign would be added to another building at 402 Center St. and asked about lighting. Owner Michael Hibbard said there is solar lighting on the ground shining up.

A motion was made by Rita Geiben seconded by Jim Fittante and passed unanimously to approve the sign application at 402 Center St. as presented.

DISCUSSION **Update HPC Website**

Loretta Frankovitch asked Deputy Clerk Cassick to have a few items updated on the HPC section of the website along with the current historically designated building list.

CLG Report

Rita Geiben stated she is working on the CLG report and for everyone to send her the classes they completed and she will forward the rough draft for them to review and the report will be submitted by next month.

810 Center St. – Remove the Taquito Lindo Sign

Loretta Frankovitch asked who to contact about taking the Taquito Lindo signs down at 810 Center St. Deputy Clerk Cassick said she will ask Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Kenny Candella to send a letter asking the building owner to take down the Taquito Lindo wall signs and cover up the roof sign.

HPC Alternates

Loretta Frankovitch asked Josh Meloni with the Lewiston Sentinel if he would put a notice in the paper that we are looking for an alternate. Josh said it can be placed as a Legal Notice.

Tour of the Frontier House

A discussion ensued on the commission members taking a tour of the Frontier House within the next two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Rita Geiben seconded by Chis O’Hara and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:17pm.

Donna Cassick Deputy Clerk