

The Minutes of the City of Ocean Springs
Historic Preservation Commission
Thursday, April 16, 2020

1. Call meeting to order

A meeting of the City of Ocean Springs Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Chairman Joanna Worch at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020. Members present were Charlene Roemer, and Carlos Barbosa. Members present via a Zoom meeting were Michael Doster. Members absent were Michael Burns and Matthew Pavlov. Also present were Carolyn Martin, Planning & Grants Administrator, and Amanda Moser, Planning & Grants Assistant. Wade Morgan, City Planner and Nicole Sullivan, City Attorney were present via a Zoom meeting.

2. Old Business – None.

3. New Business

C. Martin stated that the applicant for item 3b, Mr. Joe Cloyd was present as well, as he could log in remotely for questions.

- a) **PUBLIC HEARING:** 1126 Iberville Drive – Joshua Adams – Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for an exterior renovation and modifications.

A motion was made by C. Barbosa seconded by C. Roemer to go into public hearing. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

W. Morgan introduced the proposal. The storage building on the rear of the house will be demolished with a new addition of approximately 300 sq. ft. The existing screen porch on the front will be enclosed. The siding on the dwelling will be removed and replaced with either slat siding or batten board. The exterior will be repainted with the color samples included in the plans.

J. Worch expressed concern about enclosing the porch. She added that previous applicants had been denied to do so as it is against historical standards. J. Worch asked if the new front area will look more like a front “porch” or a “covered entry.” W. Morgan replied it will look more like a covered entry, as it is somewhat small; approximately half the size. He added the current porch was an addition at some point, and not part of the original structure.

W. Morgan and the applicant discussed the proposed porch size and the front yard setback. The applicant suggested the front yard setback hindered a larger front porch.

W. Morgan explained the front porch could extend further into the front yard setback than the dwelling itself. J. Worch asked the applicant if the owner's would consider extending the front porch into the setback to keep the historical value. The applicant said that was the intent from the beginning.

J. Worch asked if the siding would be replaced with Hardi. The applicant responded that Hardi would be batten board on the front and lap-siding on the front. The owner has not decided if the front two gables will be Hardi or cedar shake per the applicant.

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by C. Barbosa to go out of public hearing. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by M. Doster to recommend approval of the COA for 1126 Iberville Drive with a modification to the application to extend the front porch no less than 9 ft. from the house and also the gable material to be hardi shingles or cedar shake. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

b) **PUBLIC HEARING:** 616 Porter Avenue – Joe Cloyd / Big Yella, LLC – Requesting a COA for an exterior addition and renovation.

A motion was made by C. Barbosa seconded by C. Roemer to go into public hearing. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

W. Morgan introduced the proposal. The plan is to add a second floor to the existing one-story apartment. The applicant states the original structure had a second floor. The use will be short term rental units for over flow of the next door The Roost hotel. All of the elements from The Roost will be used; materials, colors, etc.

The applicant, Joe Cloyd, address the commission expressing his intentions.

A motion was made by C. Barbosa seconded by M. Doster to go out of public hearing. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

A motion was made by C. Barbosa seconded by M. Doster to recommend approval of the COA for 616 Porter Avenue as described in the package. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

a) January 16, 2020

A motion was made by C. Barbosa seconded by C. Roemer to recommend approval of the minutes as submitted. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

5. Administrative Approval

- a) 1106 Iberville Drive – Sarah Reese – Request to replace damaged lattice with wood slat deck skirting without the need for a COA. (Approved 01/16/2020.)

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by C. Barbosa to ratify the request without the need for a COA. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

- b) 800 Porter Avenue – St. Paul United Methodist Church – Request to replace the church’s front doors without the need for a COA. (Approved 02/20/2020.)

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by C. Barbosa to ratify the request without the need for a COA. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

- c) 410 Ruskin Avenue – Nick Fain & Britney McElhaney – Request to change the originally approved colors on the siding, trim, and shutters and also to request color approval for the front porch columns. (Approved 04/06/2020.)

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by C. Barbosa to ratify the request without the need for a COA. The motion was unanimously carried via a roll call vote.

6. Audience Request

7. Adjourn

A motion was made by C. Roemer seconded by C. Barbosa to adjourn the meeting.