

**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
March 18, 2009**

The **Black Mountain Historic Preservation Commission** held its regular monthly meeting on **Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Public Safety Building, 106 Montreat Road, Black Mountain, North Carolina.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order with the following members present:

Martha Cummins, Chair
Mark Barker
Susan Sellers

Absent:

Bill Munn
Phillip Lamb

Staff:

Elizabeth Teague, Planning Director
Rebecca Eberhardt, Zoning Administrator
Rosa B. Hilbert, Administrative Assistant

Other (s):

Dot Jones

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Susan Sellers made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mark Barker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mark Barker made a motion to adopt the minutes of January 21, 2009. Susan Sellers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

➤ Update on Staff and Minor Works Committee Actions

- CLG Grant Application for District Nomination

Ms. Teague said the CLG Grant Application has been submitted and we should get a reply sometime in May. The next step is to go back to the Board of Aldermen to be sure the match is budgeted in the fiscal year.

- Staff Approval for Town Pump exterior color changes

Ms. Eberhardt approved a color change to the storefront of the Town Pump located in the Historic district at 135 Cherry Street. She brought a photo of the current color scheme and said the new color would be dark green. The owners would also like to make changes to the exterior lights and entry doors at a later time.

- Minor works action on 114 Cherry Street

The Minor Works Committee approved signage at 114 Cherry Street. The sign is in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and Historic District Guidelines.

Ms. Eberhardt said there are three pending projects for approval at 112-B Cherry Street, 106 Black Mountain Avenue and 101 Church Street.

V. NEW BUSINESS

➤ Historic Designation Plaque design and policy discussion.

Elizabeth Teague said that when a structure is designated as a historic building, it would be appropriate to put up a plaque, especially if it is in the National Register. The ordinance does not specify that the Town is responsible for providing a plaque. The Historic Commission sub-committee was charged with coming up with recommendations on standards for plaques with regard to size and form to identify Black Mountain. The Commission had a long discussion about plaque designs in other towns.

**VI. HISTORIC COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS – REPORTS,
COMMUNICATIONS, COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Elizabeth Teague distributed a schedule of joint meetings with the Board of Aldermen and the Planning Board for discussions about the Land Use Codes revisions. She encouraged Commission members to attend as many of the meetings as possible. Ms. Teague updated the Commission on some of the current projects in the Town.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Susan Sellers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 .pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Martha Cummins, Chair

Bill Munn, Secretary

Rosa B. Hilbert
Administrative Assistant