

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MICHIGAN CITY HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD
MAY 18, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Elizabeth Bigda called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Elizabeth Bigda, Janet Catchings, Julie Manner, Frances Metcalf, Tom Przybylinski, John Pugh, Chris Schwanke

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT

John Nickels, Werner Graf

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

None

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Ronald Bensch, John Newcomb

VISITORS PRESENT

Henry Whitten, 506 E 8th Street
Dan Hullings, Re: 506 E 8th Street

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by John Pugh to approve the minutes of April 27, 2009 – seconded by Tom Przybylinski and unanimously APPROVED.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was distributed to Board members from the Preservationists of Michigan City requesting membership start or renewal.

CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

ON SITE APPROVALS BY ELIZABETH BIGDA, TOM PRZYBYLINSKI AND JOHN PUGH:

110 W 9th Street Sample of fence requested and presented at 4/27/09 meeting. On site approval given.

215 E 8th Street Mr. Plunk to replace deck and install handicap ramp, replace windows and put siding on garage. Discussed at 4/27/09 meeting.

PRESENTED TO BOARD:

1002 Franklin Street Board advised C of A not needed for business needs (ice and propane machines).

506 E 8th Street Request by Henry Whitten to replace porch boards and add stonework 8' high to front and back of property. Motion to approve by Julie Manner – seconded by Janet Catchings, with the vote as follows: (Ayes) Elizabeth Bigda, Janet Catchings, Julie Manner, Frances Metcalf, Tom Przybylinski and John Pugh (Nays) Chris Schwanke

With a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay, the motion was APPROVED.

With no objections by the members, the following were added to the agenda:

803 Franklin Street Request by Gerald Peters to add original lighted sign to new site. Board advised that no C of A is needed.

514 E 10th Street Request by Ray Yagelski to repair siding, roof and rehab property for rental – APPROVED.

MAINTENANCE REVIEW

Frances Metcalf announced that the free roof shingles, when available, are only given to owner occupied homes. They cannot be used for rental units.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

John Pugh advised the Board that the Michigan City Preservation and Education Foundation will be in charge of the Franklin Street planters. Also, water is now available at the sites. John thanked those who volunteered to help with the planters. They will no longer be needed.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion to adjourn by Tom Przybylinski – seconded by Mr. Pugh and unanimously approved.

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

/s/ Elizabeth Bigda, Chairman
Julie Manner, Secretary