

## **Historic Preservation Board Workshop**

**November 5, 2009**

### **Minutes & Proceedings**

The Historic Board Workshop was called to order by Chairman Larry Beaton.

The following members were present: Lynda Little Crabill, Mark Miles and Robbie Correa.

The following members were absent: Vicki Mast and Lynn Braddy

Staff present: Director of Building & Zoning Debbie Banks and Recording Secretary Deena McCamey.

**Discussion-** Ms. Banks opened the discussion by stating she had included a map of the historic district so they could see where the historic districts were in conjunction with the central business district. She stated this was something Tim Parker provided her at another meeting.

Ms. Banks also advised the Board she had included examples of ordinances from the City of St. Augustine, Sanford, Chiefland, Mount Dora and De Land. She said the City of St. Augustine is really more thorough and a little more than we should look for. She said she had spoken with Don Holmes about what the City could do with the Historic District Ordinance and he said the ordinance should not have any major change because it ties into Tallahassee and the State's rules for Historic Districts. If the Board chooses to request changes such as making the paint more restrictive or something like that, Mr. Holmes said the Board must state the authority setting forth any changes.

The Board members were really interested in the City of Sanford's ordinance.

Mr. Miles read a quote from the Secretary of Interiors Standards for Historical Preservation stating "Repainting with colors that are historically appropriate to the buildings and districts."

Ms. Banks replied that she had included that in her letter to the Board because the criteria we go by are the Secretary of Interior Standards for all decision making.

Ms. Correa stated that's basically what they do now and that they are not going to dictate which specific paint companies or colors must be used.

Ms. Crabill asked how "restrictive are they going to be with the paint selection?"

Mr. Miles had several sample selections of Historical paint color charts that he showed the Board, he said most of the charts out on the market have interior & exterior colors on the same chart which does not describe the difference them and these are what the citizens are choosing from. He said that most people wouldn't know the difference between these colors, and that is the main issue now.

The Board members decided the paint colors should be in keeping with the style and era of the structure and most paint companies supply color charts with that in mind. They finally decided to come up with a display board that showed samples of exterior body colors and samples of trim colors that the property owners can use for guidelines.

They also discussed having Historic guideline books available for the property owners supplied to them as guidance for their decision making. The Board members plan on having another workshop in the near future to start the color chart selection.

**Workshop adjourned-** at 4:00pm.