

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD CITY OF PALATKA

## Minutes for the May 2, 2013 Meeting

The Historic Preservation Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robbie Correa at 4:00 pm. Other members present included Lynda Little Crabill, Elizabeth VanRensburg Gary Graffweg Larry Beaton and Laura Schoenberger. The following members were absent: Robert Goodwin and Gilbert Evans Jr.

Staff present: Planning Director Thad Crowe.

**Motion-** made by Ms. VanRensburg to approve the April 4, 2013 minutes, seconded by Ms. Crabill. All present voted affirmative, motion passed.

**Appeals Procedure-** Chairperson Correa read the appeals.

**NEW BUSINESS-** Staff recommended flipping the two agenda items due to the amount of items requested for the first item to avoid keeping the applicant for the last agenda item there longer than necessary.

**Case:** 13-21  
**Address:** 516 River St.  
**Parcel Number:** 42-10-27-6850-0420-0060  
**Applicant:** Patsy Wilson  
**Agent:** Kenneth Downs of Down's Construction  
**Request:** Certificate of Appropriateness to add a 744 square foot second story addition to the main structure.

Mr. Crowe said staff had no problem with recommending approval since the applicant will be following the Secretary of Interior Standards by allowing the addition of the home to be contributing to the original design and by replicating it by mirroring the first floor window arrangement and shape with the second floor; and slightly moving the window on the front south facing the second floor inward so it's not so close to the edge of the house. He recommended approval.

**Motion-** made by Mr. Graffweg to approve the staff recommendation. Seconded made by Mr. Beaton. All those present voted affirmative motion passed.

**Change of Chairperson-** Vice Chairperson Crabill took over the meeting since the next agenda item was Chairperson Correa's request.

**Case:** HB 13-20  
**Address:** 118 Dodge St.  
**Parcel Number:** 42-10-27-6850-0420-0060  
**Applicant:** Roberta Correa  
**Request:** Certificate of Appropriateness to Remove existing door & frame on east end of Porch to enclose with wood siding to match existing façade, replace aluminum windows with wooden windows on the front east side of house, wrap existing wooden posts and screen back porch with wooden framing, relocate stairs in rear of house, remove existing metal storage shed and construct a 10 X 12 garden shed with silver Galvalume® roof and front porch and, add a 4ft. wooden gate at end of driveway to match existing fence on the east side of lot.

Mr. Crowe briefly discussed the applicants request in detail. He said staff agrees with the applicants request since she will be in keeping with the historic character of the house and the changes will improve the

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architectural appearance, especially with the front porch and the window replacement and recommended approval.

Roberta Correa, 118 Dodge St., said she will be changing out three windows with the last one being in the back on the porch which will be completed at a future date.

**Motion-** made by Ms. VanRensburg to recommend approval of the applicants request. Seconded made by Mr. Graffweg. All those present voted affirmative. Motion passed.

**Change of Chairperson-** Chairperson Correa re-took over the meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS-** Planning Director Crowe told the Board the Episcopal Church has a request going to the Planning Board meeting on Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> to have approval for the illegal existing charter school and feeding the homeless at their current location. He said the charter school is for older children that are in need of assistance which needs a conditional use. He also said the feeding of the homeless has also been operating illegally and it too needs a conditional use. He recommended that both the north and south historic districts come to this meeting so they voice any of their opinion. Ms. VanRensburg commented on how there has been a lot of noise coming from the direction of the church since the school started up and she had concerns of the impact of vehicles dropping off and picking up. She thought that the historic district wasn't the right place to have such an impact. She also mentioned there is already a soup kitchen on the outside of the north historic district where they are feeding the homeless. She said when the homeless go and leave there they drop their trash on the ground, and she did not support either activity at the church location.

Mr. Crowe also advised the Board the Presbyterian and Baptist Church have also come to him proposing the demolition of their buildings. He went on to explain the Presbyterian Church is looking at demolishing the apartments they own between short Laurel and S 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Their reason is because the apartments are in such disrepair that only one unit is actually fit to rent out. The Baptist Church architect mentioned taking off the 1950-60's addition portions of the house and replacing with a new addition for a family health center or purchasing the vacant bank building.

He also reminded the Board to forward demolition like candidates in their districts that are in need of repair.

**Adjourn-** with no further business meeting was adjourned at 4:28pm