



# City of North Tonawanda

## Historic Preservation Commission

City Hall  
216 Payne Ave.  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Regular Meeting June 20, 2023

*Held on Tuesday due to observation of Juneteenth holiday*

### Minutes

Present: Kristin Derby, Joe Fonzi, Dennis Garland, Andrew Klettke

Excused: April Gampp, Jay Soemann, Erin Robinson

Meeting called to order 6:05pm.

#### Regular Business

Violations – Owner of 14 Webster Street, Canalside Wine and Spirits present. Received violation letter, was not aware they were in a historic district. Mentioned the cement was in bad shape and the paint was keeping in-tact, clarified this was repointed prior to painting. This paint was intended as the first layer for a public mural. The entire Sweeney Street façade is intended to feature a sailboat, labels, and brands sold in the store. Latex paint was used. HPC discussed why painting brick is problematic to the material and causes a maintenance issue. HPC requested paint prep and type information, repointing information to determine if correct steps were taken to seal the brick or if it will cause spauling in future before a decision is made by Commission. Owner agreed to provide this information. Owner also advised about the Certificate of Appropriateness process and what is needed for future work, including the mural.

110 and 102 Webster Street violations re-sent to business address after owners said they did not receive letters. Vinyl siding on 102 Webster and new patio addition, 110 Webster Street has vinyl siding, vinyl window on patio space that is creating an enclosed room, neither had COA and have non-compliant materials.

191 Main Street – Temporary approval expired, the building is starting to degrade further. Another letter will be sent to owner requesting a plan for materials change.

Motion to accept May minutes

1<sup>st</sup> Andrew Klettke    2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Fonzi

All in favor

  4   Aye      0   Nay

Old Business  
CLG

Bennett public meeting May 24, Carnegie Art Center, 6pm had amazing turnout – all seats occupied. Approximately 40 people attended, all in support. City and Town of Tonawanda residents attended and were enthusiastic about the project. Updates provided by CBCA with survey work expected to conclude in July 2023.

Kristin is working on new website hosting platform that accepts PO/check payment.

Memorial Pool plans released by the City and Design firm. Partial demolition proposed, adapted reuse by “cutting in half” the façade and pulling out pool area to reuse structure as amphitheater feature. Discussion on local landmarking interpretation of our local law, no action has been taken since it was tabled. SHPO will be contacted to provide their legal interpretation.

Open Discussion

DRI projects discussed, contact information needed for all awardees.

Local Landmarking discussed. There are too many resources that have already been researched, consensus among present members was to pursue a Local District overlay of the Sweeney Estate. This will be easier for Building Inspector office to navigate as well – if anyone is requesting a permit within that boundary it should trigger the COA process.

Motion to adjourn 7:21

1<sup>st</sup> Andrew Klettke    2<sup>nd</sup> Kristin Derby  
All in favor  
  4   Aye      0   Nay