

**Village of Franklin  
Historic District Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 7, 2010, 7:30 P.M.**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Franklin Historic Commission was called to order by Gary Roberts, Chairman, at the Franklin Village Hall, 32325 Franklin Rd., Franklin, Michigan, at 7:30 P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Garrett Keais, Madeline Haddad, Gary Roberts, Pat Burke, Judy Ernst  
Absent: Mike Brassfield (excused), Bonnie Cook (excused)  
Also Present: Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk, Bill Dinnan, Village Building Official,  
Bill Lamott, Village Council Trustee, Liaison to Historic Commission

**III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Roberts proposed 2 (two) discussion items be added to the Agenda - Item VI. C.- Discussions about the brick pavers at the Franklin Grill and the vinyl fence at Escapades.

**IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**A. Regular meeting of May 3, 2010**

The minutes of the regular Historic Commission meeting was approved as submitted and published.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments were made at this time.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consider Application for Light Fixtures, Awning Color, and the Door Design and Color for 32749 Franklin Road.**

Mike Luit, representing the owners of Zieban-Mare, is requesting an amendment to the previously approved application to change the color scheme to Alpine Green (a swatch is on file) for the background of the oval sign (lettering will remain cream), and the shutters. The medallion sign to the left of the door has been taken down and will not be replaced. The sign on the post will have the Zieban-Mare logo in cream at the top on an Alpine Green background. It will match the size and structure of the current sign of the Smile Builders.

The front door will be stained mahogany with cream-colored surround and 2 (two) tempered glass panels. New light fixtures (a description of which is on file) will be installed in the same position.

**Motion by Burke, supported by Ernst to approve the application for 32749 Franklin Road as previously approved, amending the color of the awning and shutters to be Alpine Green, as shown. There will be a Mahogany door with 2 (two) tempered glass panels and 2 (two) new light fixtures as shown in the application dated June 7, 2010 for the file.**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**B. Consider Application for Outdoor Seating for 32644 Franklin Road (Farmhouse Coffee and Ice Cream)**

Mark Hanke, owner of Farmhouse Coffee and Ice Cream, is requesting temporary

outdoor seating in the yard of the building.

Dinnan suggested that the motion should be a recommendation to the Village Council to approve this as an outdoor use for seating, and that an application needs to be completed for the additional outdoor seating.

**Motion by Keais, supported by Haddad, to recommend to the Village Council the approval of outdoor seating at 32644 Franklin Road for up to 8 wood tables on an Outdoor Seating and Café application.**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**C. Discussion Items**

**1. Flagstone pavers at the Franklin Grill**

Roberts spoke with Jim Kochensparger of the Grill concerning the faux flagstone design which had been approved at the HDC April 5, 2010 meeting. Kochensparger said that due to financial restraints he had to install traditional brick pavers in a free-form design instead. The matter was discussed and the HDC had no objection to the change. Roberts asked that the Village Clerk provide documentation in regards to the administrative change and the HDC approval of such and place it in the file.

**Motion by Haddad, supported by Burke that the HDC determined that the change to free form, traditional brick pavers in exchange for the faux flagstone design originally approved, for the Outdoor Seating and Café application for the Franklin Grill, 32760 Franklin Road, and that there is no objections to the changes that were made.**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**2. 8 Ft. length of vinyl fencing in front of Escapades**

Roberts commented that a piece of vinyl fence suddenly appeared in front of Escapades. Lamott said that just north of the fence is a sewer grinder pump "cap". It is his understanding that the Oakland County Water Resource Commission put the fence there because snowplows kept running into the "cap" which is very expensive to replace.

Dinnan will speak with Bob Aubin, a representative of the Water Resource Commission, about changing the fence with something more decorative, such a few sections of a split rail fence or something like a landscape feature.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Beke