

**Village of Franklin  
Historic District Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 3, 2013, 7:30 P.M.  
At the Franklin Village Hall – Broughton House  
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Historic District 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: Laura Witty, Garrett Keais, Mike Brassfield, Gary Roberts, Pat Burke,  
Eileen Harryvan  
Absent: Mary Ann Liut  
Also Present: Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk

**III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Roberts noted the revised agenda dated May 31, 2013.

**Motion by Burke, supported by Brassfield, to adopt the agenda as revised.  
Motion was approved unanimously.**

**IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting of May 6, 2013.**

**Motion to adopt the minutes as provided was approved unanimously.**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Alek and Stephanie Kokoszka, new owners of the Snow House introduced themselves to the HDC. Roberts welcomed them to the Village

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Consider Revised Landscaping for Parking Lot Buffer at 32220  
Franklin Road (Huda School).**

Roberts provided a brief background of the landscaping plan. The plan presented to the HDC is in lieu of a dry stack stone wall. Jim Allen, RLA, from McKenna Associates, drew them up at the request of the school. Roberts noted that attention should be paid to the chart with the Plant List and sizes.

Harryvan commented that some of the existing plantings along Franklin Road have died. She questioned if the school had made arrangements with the landscape company to replace them. Roberts explained that the Village holds a one year “landscape bond” that states that if the school doesn’t replace dead landscaping, the Village will take necessary action.

The subject of “irrigation” was brought up. Sullivan reported that after inquiries of the School about whether it had been turned on and/or was working, the response has been, “we’re checking”.

**Motion by Burke, supported by Witty to approve the landscape buffer plan as submitted on April 3, 2013 and April 18 attachment by McKenna Associates, subject to an extension of the "Landscape Bond" to cover the new plantings for at least an additional year. This application is in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. This Landscape Buffer Plan is to replace the previously approved stone wall.**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

**B. Consider Application To Paint Exterior at 26091 German Mill.**

Dan Ashcraft, owner of the property, presented the plan to repair the wood and paint the house, doors, and shutters similar to the original colors. The colors will be historic colors; light blue for the body of the house with white trim, dark blue shutters, and dark red doors. The siding of the original house is asbestos and the last addition has horizontal wood batting, which they would like to replace with vertical wood siding, so as to be uniform with the rest of the house.

Harryvan asked for an explanation as to how the asbestos would be prepared for painting.

**Motion by Witty, supported by Harryvan, to approve the paint colors as provided on the paint chips which are National Trust for Historic Preservation colors: 4004-6 Valspar Montpelier Wedgwood (body of the house); 4009-5 Valspar Filoli Dark Iris (shutters); white on the trim and garage door; 1009-6 Valspar Montpelier Red Velvet (doors). This application is in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.**

**Motion was approved unanimously.**

Burke commented that there were some new signs that had not been approved by HDC: Wright & Zalazny Dentistry and a banner for Party Girls. A request will be sent to them asking for a new application.

Burke complimented Zieban Mare on the placement of 3 planters in front of their building.

Sullivan updated the HDC on the progress of the Rain Garden noting that bids will be awarded next Monday, June 10, 2013 at the Village Council meeting and construction will begin July 7.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk