New Bedford Historical Commission

April 7, 2014 – 6:00 PM - **Minutes**
33 William Street, New Bedford, MA

Members Present:
Diana Henry, Chairman
Bill King, Vice Chair
Bill Barr
Keri Cox
James Lopes
Anne Louro
Corey Pacheco

Members Absent:
Jill Maclean

Secretary:
Janine da Silva

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1. Call to order:
   D. Henry called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m., confirming a quorum. The Chair indicated that A. Louro would serve in the City of New Bedford Planner position and J. Lopes would serve in the National Park Service position.

2. Approval of minutes:
   A motion to approve the minutes of the 03.03.14 meeting was moved by B. King and seconded by C. Pacheco. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Hearings:
   30 Centre Street…new signage
   B. King presented application for flag of the Wing Family corporation to hang from the roof deck seasonally. The flag is 2 feet by 3 feet on a 40 inch pole. The colors are similar to the blue and red of the American flag.
   A motion to open the public hearing was moved by A. Louro and seconded by J. Lopes. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
   Public comments in favor: None.
   Public comments recorded in favor: None.
   Public comments not in favor: None
   Public comments recorded not in favor: None.
   A motion to close the public hearing was moved by B. Barr and seconded by K. Cox. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
   A motion to approve the application and grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for the hanging of a seasonal flag as presented was moved by B. Barr and seconded by K. Cox. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0, with 1 recusal.

C. Pacheco – yes
J. Lopes – yes
A. Louro – yes
B. Barr – yes
B. King – recusal

48 North Water Street…exterior rehabilitation
Michael Morrissey, 118 David Street, New Bedford presented the application for the exterior rehabilitation of the building. The colors would be a white body and blue trim. In addition, the applicant will reglaze/repair the windows where needed.
A motion to reopen the public hearing was moved by B. King and seconded by J. Lopes. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
Public comments in favor: None.
Public comments recorded in favor: None.
Public comments not in favor: None
Public comments recorded not in favor: None.
A motion to close the public hearing was moved by B. King and seconded by B. Barr. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
A Louro spoke on the fact that white would not be an appropriate color for a Federal style building, particularly a commercial building. NBHC staff will provide the applicant with a Federal color chart to select more a more appropriate color scheme. **Motion to table the application until the May 5th meeting was moved by A. Louro and seconded by K. Cox. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.**
C. Pacheco – yes
J. Lopes – yes
A. Louro – yes
B. Barr – yes
B. King – yes
NBHC members came up with four options for a possible color palette based on the Historic Colors of America palette: 1) Pettingill Sage (body) and Jackson Antique (trim) 2) Jackson Antique (body) and Jewett White (trim) 3) Amelia (body) and Jewett White (trim) 4) Pumpkin (body) and Knightley Straw (trim). M. Morrissey will present the choices to the property owner.

4. New Business:
Seamen's Bethel – exterior rehabilitation
NBHC staff explained that the NB Port Society requested a CNA for exterior maintenance for the Seamen's Bethel in preparation of the C.W. Morgan visit. The work would include carpentry repairs, and repainting the structure the same color. The NBHC consensus that the CNA will be issued but the NB Port Society will need to apply to the NBHC to replace/install new plantings. Discussion regarding the installation of planters on Union Street prior to the Morgan visit. Discussion regarding new addition between the Seamen's Bethel and the Mariner's Home.

No additional New Business was discussed and no motions were made at this time.

5. Old Business:
   Chapter 40 C Guidelines
   Discussion will be moved to the May meeting.

   NBHC staff and the CNB Preservation Planner met with the Mount Vernon Group to discuss the materials to be used for the NB Whaling Museum addition.

   No additional Old Business was discussed and no motions were made at this time.

6. Communications

7. The next regular commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 5, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at 33 William Street, New Bedford.

8. **There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was moved by J. Lopes and seconded by B. Barr. All voted in favor and the motion passed**. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.