



## *New Bedford Historical Commission*

June 2, 2014 – 6:02 PM - **Minutes**  
33 William Street, New Bedford, MA

### *Members Present:*

Diana Henry, Chairman  
Bill King, Vice Chair  
James Lopes  
Anne Louro  
Corey Pacheco

### *Members Absent:*

Jill Maclean  
Bill Barr  
Keri Cox

### *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 will serve for the City Planner, and J. Lopes would serve as the alternate for the Local Preservation Organizations.

#### 2. Approval of minutes:

**A motion to approve the minutes of the 05.05.14 meeting was moved by B. King and seconded by C. Pacheco. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

#### 3. Public Hearings:

##### **94 Front Street...new signage and outdoor decking**

**Motion to remove the application from the table moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by B. King. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

Jay Lanagan presented the application. The applicant described the new sign to be carved by Tom Hough. The three season deck will be made of contemporary materials for the decking and roof. The applicant has photos that have not been submitted. Deck will have no walls, Atlantis cable system, decking will be mahogany; roof will look like opaque glass. This will be a fixed deck. The deck will be used year-round as weather permits. Question about foundation treatment, applicant willing to use vertical lattice to cover posts. Only one north elevation window will be changed to make room for the new door entry, drawings are out of date and windows will be same as existing.

**A motion to open the public hearing was moved by J. Lopes and seconded by B. King. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

*Public comments in favor:* Robert Duff, 24 Centre Street, in favor of change, no negatives  
Laurie Botelho, 98 Front Street, in favor of the new addition

*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 C. Pacheco. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**A motion to approve the application and grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for the new signage and the addition as presented with any modification for foundation treatment/lattice to be worked out with NBHC staff in the field was moved by B. King and seconded by J. Lopes. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.**

**C. Pacheco – yes**

**J. Lopes – yes**

**A. Louro - yes**

**B. King – yes**

#### **48 North Water Street...exterior rehabilitation**

**A motion to remove the application for the exterior rehabilitation for 48 North Water Street from the table was moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by J. Lopes. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

Jason Ignacio, 224 Sharp Street, Dartmouth, MA represented the applicant. NBHC staff with approval of the Chair sent 4 color palettes to the applicant after the last meeting. The applicant spoke to NBHC staff and did not accept the color choices submitted by the NBHC, the applicant submitted four new color choices for the body of the building.

**Motion to accept the color samples and place on file moved by A. Louro and seconded by C. Pacheco. All voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.**

NBHC members reviewed the color choices submitted by the applicant.

**Motion to table the application and suggest that the applicant drive by 334 Union Street to see NBHC approved colors (Benjamin Moore Sail Cloth ((Ext RM) on body and Wind's Breath (BM 981) on trim was moved by B. King and seconded by C. Pacheco. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 3-1.**

**C. Pacheco – yes**

**J. Lopes – no**

**A. Louro - yes**

**B. King – yes**

#### **98 Front Street...new signage**

**Motion to remove the application from the table moved by B. King and seconded by J. Lopes. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously**

Laurie Botelho, applicant, presented the application for new signage at 98 Front Street.

The applicant would like to modify the submitted application to two black and gold-leaf signs for the façade and north side of the building.

**A motion to open 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:* Robert Duff, 24 Centre Street, the black looks very classy and in favor of signs.

*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 C. Pacheco and seconded by B. King. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**A motion to approve the application and grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for the two wall signs as presented was moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by B. King. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.**

**C. Pacheco – yes**

**J. Lopes – yes**

**A. Louro – yes**

**B. King – yes**

24 Centre Street

Robert Duff, 24 Centre Street, New Bedford, presented the application for the freestanding sign board in front of the building. Mr. Duff will be posting upcoming shows for his gallery. NBHC members asked questions about what kind of glass would be used. A suggestion was made for the applicant to contact Glaser Glass for types of safety glass.

**A motion to open 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:* Laurie Botelho, 98 Front Street feels that the display case is like a welcome for customers and can entice them into the store.

*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 C. Pacheco and seconded by B. King. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**A motion to approve the application and grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for the freestanding sign at 24 Centre Street as presented was moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by J. Lopes. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.**

**C. Pacheco – yes**

**J. Lopes – yes**

**A. Louro – yes**

**B. King – yes**

11 William Street

Diana Fitzgerald, 77 Allens Neck Road, Dartmouth presented the application. Ms. Fitzgerald would like to modify the signs but will keep the design for the hanging sign with changes to the font type and size. In addition the applicant would like to create cast-metal signage for the east and west walls “Whalers of New Bedford.” The size is 15 Inches for “WHALERS” and 6 Inches for “Of New Bedford.”

**Motion to accept the material for modifications to the new signs as submitted and place on file moved by B. King and seconded by J. Lopes. All voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.**

**A motion to open the public hearing was moved by B. King and seconded C. Pacheco. 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 J. Lopes. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

NBHC members discussed the changes to the signage. All agreed that the new font was more attractive and that the cast-metal letters would work well for the walls.

**A motion to approve the submitted and revised application and grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for the signage at 11 William Street with the applicant working with staff on the size and placement of the two wall signs was moved by J. Lopes and seconded by B. King. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.**

**C. Pacheco – yes**

**J. Lopes – yes**

**A. Louro – yes**

**B. King – yes**

**4. New Business:**

Dream Out Loud

J. Lopes stated that Dream Out Loud has moved to the Artworks Building and moved signs to the new location. NBHC staff will contact Tracy Furtado about the signage.

141 Union Street

NBHC member discussed the condition of the structure and the deteriorating cornice. NBHC staff will contact Inspectional Services to contact the property owner regarding the neglect of the structure. In addition NBHC members discussed the condition of the properties on Union Street between Acushnet Avenue and North Second Street. NBHC staff will contact Derek Santos to initiate discussion on the situation.

24 North Water Street

The owner may be planning re-roofing the building and replacing the windows on the building.

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

**5. Old Business:**

The new downtown planters have yet to be installed. A bollard near Cork has been damaged.

Chapter 40 C Guidelines

NBHC staff received the Phase 3 version of the Guideline and will be reviewing the document.

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, July 7, 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. King. All voted in favor and the motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.