

Historic and/or Architectural Advisory Board  
City of Cortland  
August 9, 2010

A regular meeting of the Historic District Commission was held on August 9, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room at City Hall.

Present: Chair Kline, Comm. Delaney, Dineen, Kane, Schaffer and Wineburg

Staff Present: Bruce Weber, Zoning Officer and Cheryl Massmann, Deputy City Clerk

Item No. 1 - 104 Main St. (Caruso/Seibel)(CB) - Façade Change and Lighting

George Seibel was present to answer questions. Chair Kline explained that he plans to remove the front windows and replace them with three (3) foot by four (4) foot slider windows with grids. The windows will then flow more with Hairy Tony's. The windows will be made out of black aluminum. He then plans to remove the front façade planking and replace it with smooth wood and paint it Precious Ivory with red detailing. He also plans to replace both doors on the building with door that will match Hairy Tony's. They will have a solid black bottom panel with a clear window above. He plans to do the same red trim around the doors.

Mr. Seibel stated that he would like permission from the Historic Board that if there's brick found behind the sign façade, they would like to leave it exposed. He noted that if there is not brick behind the wood façade, they would like to continue and replace the wood removed with new smooth wood painted in the Precious Ivory color. He noted that the top detail will be terra cotta highlighted.

Mr. Seibel also noted that if the brick on the left of the front windows is in good shape, the designer want to do brick on the right and he brought a sample. After some discussion Mr. Seibel and the Commission felt that it would look cluttered and that he should stick with the wood. It was also noted that the left side of the windows was wider than the right side of the windows.

Comm. Kane noted that the building was built in about 1883 or '84. It as also noted that there might not be brick behind the wood façade, as the building once had large display windows on either side of a very recessed front door which was in the middle of those two windows.



selling single family homes in R1 and R2 district and not telling new owners of a single family house that they can't just convert them to multiple units. Zoning Officer Weber stated that there has to be due diligence on the part of the buyer.

Chair Kline noted that there has to be continuity with buildings on Main Street especially with regards to vinyl windows. She noted that a new purchaser had contacted her about 79 Main Street and doing window replacement.

Comm. Wineburg expressed concern regarding 55 Main St. She asked if it was going to be cleaned up or at least boarded up in the back and the front windows cleaned. It was noted that the owner has kept up with taxes and there isn't much else that can be done, but see that he keeps it secured.

Item No. 2 - Minutes - July 12, 2010

Motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2010.

Motion:                      Comm. Schaffer  
Seconded:                  Comm. Dineen

Motion passed.

Adjournment

Motion:                      Comm. Delaney  
Seconded:                  Comm. Dineen

Motion passed.

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Linda Kline, Chairperson