

Burton Historic District
Architectural Review Board
Minutes
September 8, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am.

Board Members present: Jim Croup, Jim Wohlken, Lisa Hernandez, Pat Hauser

Visitors: Todd Hicks, Tom Clark, Ben Berkowitz

Permit #2016-13

Action on the Burton Fire Department request for a demolition permit for 13810 Spring St. was continued until Oct. 13, 2016. The Fire Dept. wants to demolish the house to allow for expansion of the existing Fire Dept. building. They say it will cost more to rehab the house than to demolish it. Stated estimates were: \$19,000 to demolish and \$50-60,000 to rehab. They also said that if demolition was allowed, they would go for grants to help finance the expansion and would design with Review Board input. The Board wants proof that the cost to rehab will be more than to demolish. The Board also requested that the plans for future development be presented. Todd Hicks stated that the Fire Dept. must decide which cause for demolition they want to use and no undue damage should be done to the house in the meantime. It was suggested that the Fire Department could try to sell the house. The Board has a report from a local contractor stating that the house is in good condition as to structure and systems and needs mostly interior cosmetic repair.

Wohlken made a motion to approve the 8/11 minutes. Croup 2nd. The minutes were approved.

Hauser will talk with Fred Green, Geauga County Historical Society president, about the roof color on the white barn and setting up a meeting with their facilities committee.

Yolita Rausche's presentation of the Hickox Street survey will be Oct. 24th to Council at 7 pm and Oct. 25 to the general public at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted – Pat Hauser, Chairman