

**LOWELL HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING  
MAY 6, 2014  
6:00 PM**

Chairman Floyd called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Recording Secretary Dianna Cade took roll call. Members answering the roll call were Ken Floyd, Susan Riley and Martha Burger-Farrellbegg. Connie Schrombeck, Clifford Tetrault and Tom Trulley were not present. One citizen was also present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg made a motion to approve the February 4, 2014 regular meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Riley and carried by voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PETITIONER: #2014-2 CATHERINE LIVENGOOD CALLA'S EVENT COMPANY AND NWI CHAIRCOVERS. 401 E. COMMERCIAL**

**REQUEST: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**

**PURPOSE: NEW SIGN TO ADVERTISE EVENT PLANNING, CHAIRCOVER AND BRIDAL BOUTIQUE.**

Mr. Floyd stated that Catherine Livengood is here petition for a Certificate of Appropriateness for signage at 401 E. Commercial Ave. Mr. Floyd asked Ms. Livengood if she would like to address the Commission with any comments. Ms. Livengood stated she had nothing further for the Board. Ms. Riley asked Ms. Livengood about the color of the sign and discussion follows on the correct color and images of the sign. Ms. Riley asked Ms. Livengood about the mounting of the sign on the building. Ms. Riley verified that it is a wood sign, and it would not be mounted into the brick. Mr. Floyd stated that the building next door has the same type of sign. Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg asked about the three images on the sign. Ms. Riley asked Ms. Livengood if the size of the sign is four x eight. Ms. Livengood stated that it was. Ms Riley stated that it fits in all the guidelines, it is a little bit bigger than allowed, but she doesn't see a problem with it. Mr. Floyd asked if there was a sign there before. Ms. Livengood stated she doesn't think so. Mr Floyd asked Ms. Riley what the requirement is and Ms. Riley refers to the guidelines and discussion follows. Mr. Floyd asked Ms. Livengood if this is a temporary sign. Ms. Livengood stated that it is and she is getting estimates on taking the old wood down on front of the building and tuck pointing the brick. Ms. Riley said that would be wonderful and discussion followed on the mounting of the sign.

Ms. Riley stated because the sign will meet the historic preservation's regulations she made a made a motion to approve the Findings of Fact. Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote. Ms. Riley made a motion to

approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the new sign, seconded by Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg and carried by voice vote.

Mr. Floyd stated he would like to discuss a temporary sign ordinance for Downtown Lowell, discussion follows. He stated they will table it until Mr. Trulley is at the next meeting and they can further discuss with him.

Ms. Livengood asked the commission if the lettering on the Sickingers sign is approved by the Historic Board. She had heard that the lettering did not follow the guidelines of the Historic District. Mr. Floyd stated it is not a backlite sign it is a sidelite sign. Ms. Riley stated that it was the lighting that was in question, not the lettering. Ms. Riley asked if Ms. Livengood had a copy of the guidelines. Ms. Livengood stated that she did. Ms. Livengood said that she liked the Sickinger's sign and would like to have a permanent sign similar to that. Mr. Floyd stated that the board did approve that sign. Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg welcomed Ms. Livengood to the Historical District. The petitioner inquired on the small signs that are on the front side of some of the buildings. Mr. Floyd stated that was a Mainstreet project and that the group no longer exists. Ms. Riley stated that she had the information on the signs, and although there was no funding available Ms. Livengood could purchase it on her own.

### **ADJOURMENT**

With no further questions or comments, Mrs. Burger-Farrellbegg made a motion to adjourn at 6:15 PM, seconded by Ms. Riley and carried by voice vote.

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