

**Minutes**  
**Historic District Commission**  
**Wednesday, March 24, 2010**  
**7:00p.m.**  
**Lower Hearing Room**  
*Adopted April 28, 2010*

**Members Present:** Steiner, Sternberg, Hecker, Childs, Miller, Sheytanian, Famiglietti

**Staff Present:** Hayward, Collins

**Public Present:** See Attached Sign –In Form

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1. **Introduction and Welcome** – Steiner introduced the three new HDC members: Carolyn “Nicki” Famiglietti, Howard Miller and Kenneth Sheytanian.
2. **Public Hearing Continuance – Certificate of Appropriateness – 190 Mt. Auburn, a Certificate of Appropriateness for a utilities screening fence. Zach and Lori Orchanian**

The applicant submitted a request to continue the item to May 26, 2010.

**Vote:** Sternberg moved to continue to the item to the next meeting of May 26, 2010. Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **Minutes of January.** Approved.

4. **HDC 2010 Letter to District Property Owners**

Last year’s letter was reviewed and updated for a mailing with an application and schedule.

5. **Old Business**

**135 Mt. Auburn** – HDO-10-01 – Hayward reported that the owner cannot afford to install all three awnings approved. He only wants to limit the awnings to one and to install lighting. Hayward informed the owner that he would need to come back to the HDC for a change to the CA to one awning and to add lighting. The HDC expressed satisfaction with the improvements made by the business owner.

**Signage** – Steiner reported that the design for the HD signage has been worked out. However they were looking for HD buildings to be featured. Hecker informed that the Watertown Birdseye’s View map may be a good source for an image. Childs noted that the 1630-1930 Historical Map of Watertown presented to Town Council may also provide ideas or images.

**Street Party** – Steiner reported that Watertown Community Foundation had funds for street parties – approximately \$200 for 10 street parties a year. He thought a HD party could be scheduled for reimbursement.

**72 Mt. Auburn** – Hayward reported that he has talked to the project architect. He said that they discovered a half moon window which they are keeping. With the removal of the siding, the architect found that the front was sided with flush board, with the three remaining sides with clapboard. He is trying to find material to replicate the flush boards. Hecker supported keeping the flush board as it is a unique historical architectural feature. Hayward informed that the applicant will be keeping the chimney brick and cutting it in half to reuse on the replacement chimney facade.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm