

Minutes of the meeting of the
Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
City of Belton
333 Water Street
Thursday, January 17, 2013

The Historic Preservation Commission met at 5:30 P.M. in the Wright Room at the Harris Community Center. The following members were present: Larry Guess, Randy Stumberg, Nelson Hutchinson, Dan Kirkley and Sheila Donohue. The following Staff Members were present: Erin Newcomer, Planning Director. The applicants, Billye and Richard Westlake attended.

Pledge of Allegiance- Nelson Hutchinson led all present.

Invocation- Dan Kirkley gave the Invocation.

1. Call To Order.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

2. Minutes from the previous meetings.

Mr. Hutchinson made a motion to approve the minutes as written. They were approved unanimously, 5-0.

3. H-13-01 Consider a request to replace damaged wood siding, install lattice below the sill plate, install shutters and paint the house at 317 North Pearl Street, located in the Lower West Belton Historic District, south of 3rd Avenue and north of 2nd Avenue.

Ms. Newcomer presented the staff report.

Mr. Kirkley asked if there is a perimeter beam. It was concluded that there is not. Mr. Kirkley asked what type of wire mesh would be used. Ms. Newcomer stated that it could be the size of chicken wire or a small wire, like the ones used in windows. He also asked if there was another option instead of lattice, such as a skirting material or a concrete base that would be a better option.

Mr. Guess said that there were options. He asked the applicants, Richard and Billye Westlake, if they preferred to keep siding all the way to the ground or use lattice. The applicants did not have a preference. Mr. Guess suggested that they replace the deteriorating siding and use moisture resistant wood as a more cost-effective option, due to the high expense of lattice. Lattice requires more maintenance, as it has to be replaced every 2-3 years. The applicant stated that they would prefer that option.

Mr. Guess also suggested that they could re-box the columns to further restore the original features on the home. Ms. Donohue agreed to the recommendation to re-box the columns.

Mr. Guess made a motion to approve the recommendation to replace the damaged wood siding; remove the siding below the sill plate with lattice or moisture resistant wood; install shutters and paint the house at 317 North Pearl Street, located in the Lower West Belton Historic District, south of 3rd Avenue and north of 2nd Avenue. Mr. Stumberg seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously, 5-0.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Chair, Historic Preservation Commission