

**THOMASVILLE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
January 8, 2007**

The Thomasville Historic Preservation Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Building Council Chambers. Voting members present were John Bennett, Karen Smith, Peggy Wood, Ray Finger, Gina Shumake, Pat Glenn, and Demetrius Hadley. Zoning Administrator, Duane Treadon; Sr. Asst City Manager, Kha Thomas, Historic Preservation Commission Consultant to the City, Brent Runyon; Planning Technician, Margaret Bryant; and Administrative Assistant, Shannon Jones also attended the meeting.

I. **Call to Order**

Chairman John Bennett called the meeting to order.

II. **Approval of Minutes**

Gina Shumake moved that the December, 2006 minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Demetrius Hadley and passed unanimously.

III. **Old Business**

None

IV. **New Business**

Election of officers

A nomination for John Bennett to continue to serve as Chair and Ray Finger to continue to serve as Vice Chairman was made. The nominees were both reappointed unanimously.

Applicant 07-01-01 Sharlene Celaya, owner for property located at 310 Warren Ave., Thomasville, Georgia. The application is for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a wooden deck to the rear of the house and to remove a window and replace with a wooden divided light door.

Ms. Celaya explained to the Commission that the deck would be built of pressure treated wood about one foot from the ground and 14 x 14 in size. Ms. Celaya also explained that the middle rear window would be removed and replaced with a wooden true divided light door. This will serve as an entrance to the deck.

Gina Shumake moved that the application be approved as presented. Demetrius Hadley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Applicant 07-01-02 Title Bucks, owner's agent for property located at 114 S. Madison Street, Thomasville, Georgia. The application is for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a sandblasted wall sign to the front of building. Applicant would also like to replace the face of an existing pylon sign.

Mr. Tom Murray, agent for Integrated Sign Systems, Inc., explained that the wall sign would be made of sand blasted foam material, that when painted would look like wood. He would also like to install a sheet of metal as the sign board and paint it green to match the sign. The ground sign will replace the face of the existing pylon sign. Mr. Murray told the Commission that he would remove the back lighting for the sign.

Alston Watt moved that the application be approved as presented with the condition that the pylon sign not be illuminated. Demetrius Hadley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Add on Item Staff, owner of 314 N Dawson St. (Phoenix Center) will be placing a temporary security/safety chain link fence around construction site. Building will be undergoing interior demolition/renovations. Owners will come before Commission for approval of exterior changes at a future date.

Mr. Brent Taylor expressed concerns of “foot-traffic” on this job site and issues with liability for injuries on site. Mr. Taylor informed the Commission the insurance company is requiring him to install a temporary chain length fence around the site during the course of the project.

Gina Shumake moved that the fence be allowed for a period of six months only. Owner will have to come back before the Commission for a time extension if needed. Demetrius Hadley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Brent Runyon – Overview of Historic Districts

Mr. Runyon gave a quick overview of Historic Districts and an overview of the importance and duties of the Historic Preservation Commission.

V. **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.