

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES FROM MARCH 30, 2027 REGARDING A PROPOSED
DOYLESTOWN HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY DISTRICT**

Council Attendance: Steve Muller, CJ Gadosik, DJ Youngblood, Harold Rozak, Tim Smith, Mark Hammer, Mayor Lindeman, Spiros Vasilatos, Christina Mambourg and Kristen Robison.

Mayor Lindeman called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Instructed all attendees to sign in. Mayor also instructed anyone wishing to address Council to please state their name and address for the record. There would be a 5-minute question period per person with a 3-minute rebuttal/follow up.

The following attendees addressed Council: Cindy Steele 41 W. Clinton; Bob Funk 80 N. Portage; Grant Hall for Hanna Hall 74 N. Portage; John Karabotsos 357 N. Portage.

Opening

Mr. Mark Hammer opened with an explanation of what is being done at this time. The hearing is for the creation of the Historic Preservation Overlay District which is a zoning change only at this time.

Resident/Owner Questions

Property owner John Karabotsis believes the Historic District should go to Frederick Street then stretching only to Black Drive for preservation purposes of downtown. **Mr. Mark Hammer stated the reason the district was pared down was because the overwhelming majority of attendees at the last public hearing requested that.** Property Owner Bob Funk asked about the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. He feels the majority of members need to be property/building owners. He also asked if the Zoning restrictions would change. The Mayor and Administrator stated that there will be a mix of people on the committee, however there is only one application to date. **Mr. Mark Hammer stated that the overlay district will be consistent with Village code.** Grant Hall was here as his daughter owns a building downtown. Had questions on how to apply for the Advisory Committee. Also wanted clarification on the opt in or opt out of the Historic Preservation program. **Mr. Mark Hammer stated that there will be the availability to opt in or out, but the parameters surrounding that will be set by the Committee. The Administrator explained where on the website the application is located.** Cindy Steel wanted to verify that her property is in the district. She also asked how this all originated. **Mayor Lindeman verified that her property is inside the district. The reason this originated was to maintain the integrity of downtown, and not allow an outside entity to come in a build something that doesn't align with what we want to preserve.**

Clarification on updated verbiage to the code was read by the Administrator as follows:

H. Participation in Programs or Future Regulations.

1. Inclusion of a property within the Historic Preservation Overlay District shall not, by itself, require participation in any voluntary preservation program, incentive program, or regulatory program adopted by the Village unless otherwise expressly required by ordinance.

2. Owners of Base District Properties shall remain within the Historic Preservation Overlay District unless amended by ordinance of Village Council; however, such owners may elect not to participate in any voluntary program or incentive offered by the Village related to the Historic Preservation Overlay District.

3. Owners of Voluntary Inclusion Properties may elect to participate in or withdraw from any voluntary program or incentive offered by the Village related to the Historic Preservation Overlay District.

4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter the district boundaries established in §1189.04 or the procedures governing voluntary inclusion or removal under this Chapter.

Administrator then asked the public to indicate if they have any questions to ensure that everyone understands it is clarifying rhetoric and in no way creates new or expanded restrictions. There were no questions to clarify.

Public Notification Materials

Handouts were made available to all attendees of the information that was sent out.

Mr. Mark Hammer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. DJ Youngblood. Roll Call: All ayes.

Adjourned 7:35 PM

Attendees: Grant Hall, Cindy Steele, Bob Funk, Sarah McCall, Charlene and Gary Whipkey, John Karabatsos.