The regular meeting of the Conway Historic District Commission was held Monday, June 24, 2019 in Conway City Hall. The following members, being a quorum, were present: George Covington Sr, Steve Hurd, Emily Walter and Gerald Tosh. David Carolina, Shelby Fiegel, and Taylor Martin were absent. The Minutes from the May 2019 meeting were approved 4-0 on a motion made by Emily Walter and seconded by George Covington Sr. All agreed.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Asa P. Robinson Historic District

None

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Old Conway Design Overlay District (OCDOD)

A: Wooden Privacy Fence – 1614 College Avenue

Applicant: Mathew Frederick 1614 College Ave Conway, AR 72034

Contractor: Legacy Fencing

No one, from the public, spoke for or against the project.

Matthew Frederick, the owner spoke to the project.

Mr. Frederick's desire is to construct a 6' solid wooden fence in the rear and side yards. The purpose is to provide privacy, reduce risk of theft (which has occurred) and shroud an RV parked closely to his rear property line. He stated there were numerous examples of solid 6' fences in his neighborhood and several near to his house.

He argued against having 2' lattice at the top of the fence. The commission asked if he'd consider solid 6' foot solid fencing at the rear and the 2' lattice style on the sides. He did not agree, and stated the extra privacy was needed for the full length of the fence. He further explained lattice deteriorates easily, requires much maintenance and is costly.

Gerald Tosh motioned to allow the 6' solid fence be allowed for the entire length. George Covington Sr. seconded the motion. The vote was 3-1 to approve, Steve Hurd voted in opposition.

B: Rear/Garage Addition – 2016 Robinson Avenue

Applicant/Owner: Aubin Siria 2016 Robinson Avenue Conway, AR 72034

No one, from the public, spoke for or against the project.

The owner, Aubin Siria, spoke to the project.

Mr. Siria explained he wanted to add the garage addition to have a place for his things. He explained it would have the same roofline and design.

The board discussed and quickly agreed it was a straightforward proposal. It was noted a tree would be removed where the garage is to be built.

George Covington Sr. made a motion to approve in accordance with the recommendations in the staff report, Gerald Tosh seconded the motion, all agreed, 4-0 vote.

C: Demolition & Residential Addition – 1933-35 College Avenue

Applicant/Contractor: Robert Bennett Bennett and Bennett Management Company

Owner Jeremy & Beth Miller 8A Dickens Street Greenbrier, AR 72058

No one, from the public, spoke for or against the project.

The contractor (Robert Bennet) and owners (Jeremy and Beth Miller) spoke to the project.

They proposed the demolition of an old existing addition on the rear of the house. This is to facilitate rebuilding a new larger addition in order to expand the duplex to a 2-bedroom format in both dwellings of the duplex. The existing addition is not brick as the rest of the duplex is. They stated the new addition would be brick.

In addition, they propose the demolition of an existing lean-to accessory building on the rear portion of the lot in order to make room for the larger addition.

There was a lengthy discussion on windows needing replacement. It was decided the replacement windows should match the size of the openings. And "three over one" windows shall be used and may be of a fiberglass nature as requested by owner.

The owner requested the porticos over the two front entry ways be extended outward to provide more coverage. The commission agreed to extending the porticos and brackets.

George Covington Sr. made a motion to approve based on agreements above, Emily Walter seconded the motion, all agreed, 4-0 vote.

The applicant will provide revised plans for windows and proposed materials to the Planning Director for review and approval prior to issuance of building permits.

D: New Single-Family Residence – 141 Oliver Street

This item was removed from the agenda, it will be reviewed later.