

**HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026**

Members Present:     Len Ferber                             Pete Kingsley  
                              Eldon Stoltzfus                             Lori Troiano

Others Present:       Steve Echternach, Borough Manager  
                              Christine Moore, Admin. Asst.  
                              Hector Torres

**Call to Order and Pledge to the Flag:** The meeting was held at the Strasburg Borough Municipal Offices, 145 Precision Avenue, Strasburg PA and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Len Ferber, followed by the salute to the flag. Vice Chairman Ferber announced that the meeting is being audiotaped and maintained until the minutes are approved and that recommendations from tonight’s meeting will be considered at the May 12, 2026 Council meeting.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Consider a motion to approve the minutes of April 7, 2026:** A motion was made by Eldon Stoltzfus, seconded by Lori Troiano, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2026 meeting as printed.

**Consider a motion regarding the application for 224 ½ Miller Street for an awning:** Hector Torres, husband of Lillian Torres, owner of 224 ½ Miller Street, was in attendance and reviewed the application to install an awning over the front door. He stated that there are holes in the brick to indicate that there was previously an awning in that location and that there is an existing awning next door.

The members reviewed the application, noting that the home is a brick attached row house and there is an existing awning next door and there is evidence that an awning was previously over the door. It was noted that Building/Zoning permits are also necessary for the project because it is attached to the house.

Pete Kingsley made a motion, seconded by Lori Troiano and passed unanimously to recommend Borough Council approve the application for Lillian Torres, owner of 224 ½ Miller Street, to reinstall an awning over the front door as submitted, which is in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation Standard 36 CFR 67 Standard Number 9.

**Other Business:** Lori Troiano asked if 116 West Main Street had a permit for work they are doing on the railing. The staff will look into this matter.

The Borough Manager thanked the members of the board for serving and stated that Borough Council has advertised the two vacancies and have not had any eligible applicants apply. He stated that HARB can continue to operate as a five-member board until the vacancies are filled. He added that he recently talked to our representative at the PHMC and the President of the Heritage Society and everyone across the state is having a difficult time finding volunteers.

He provided an update on the East Main Street/South Decatur Street stormwater project.

Len Ferber stated he was disappointed that Borough Council overruled HARB at their last meeting. The Borough Manager reminded the members that HARB is a recommending board and over the years Council has demonstrated their support, rarely overruling HARB. He added that the owners of 1 and 11 West Main Street are doing expensive renovations to the property and have made historic improvements to the front building.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Pete Kingsley, seconded by Eldon Stoltzfus, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Moore  
Administrative Assistant