

**Architectural Review Board
Regular Meeting
March 7, 2013
4:30 PM**

Members Present: Chris Clark, John Hart, Greg Mayes, and John Resig

Members Absent: Stan Henley

Others Present: Candace Dowdy, Justin Crice, Tony Thompson and Edward Marlowe.

Vice Chairman Chris Clark called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Clark asked for approval of the minutes from the February 7, 2013 regular meeting. John Hart noted some corrections. **Greg Mayes made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. John Resig seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Vice Chairman Clark stated the second item on the agenda was a public hearing to review a Certificate of Appropriateness application for Murray Electric System to construct a new warehouse and office complex at 204 North 4th Street. Candace Dowdy identified the property with a power point presentation with some aerial photography and photographs of the property. She stated this was the previous site for Calloway County Lumber. Ms. Dowdy said she had received information from BFW Engineering and Testing Inc. that stated that the new building being proposed in the construction plans would not negatively affect a recently installed box culvert structure at this location. Ms. Dowdy said this property lies within the Historic Overlay District and that is why it was being presented to the Board. Ms. Dowdy continued on and said any new construction in the Historic Overlay District requires approval by the Board.

Vice Chairman Clark opened the public hearing.

Tony Thompson, 1521 Oxford Drive, Murray KY was sworn in. Mr. Thompson stated Murray Electric would not be moving their main office operations to this location. He said this proposed building would house mainly their warehouse and offices for engineering staff. Mr. Thompson said their Board made a decision in the past to try and stay around the downtown area. He said this building will give Murray Electric extra space, bring their warehouse up to date, and give them more office space. Mr. Thompson stated that J. Patrick Kerr was the architect for this project. Mr. Thompson said that the new building's roof will match the existing Murray Electric building on the corner of Olive and 4th Streets with a hunter green metal roof. Mr. Thompson then presented a sample of what the warehouse side panels were proposed to be. Mr. Thompson then explained the engineering that would be used over the box culvert system for the building. He said the 12,000 square foot building would pretty much cover up the whole lot except for the parking they would need.

John Hart asked if the building on the corner, which was a grocery supply store of some fashion, was involved in this project. Mr. Thompson said it was not and it was not Murray Electric's property. Mr. Thompson said the separation between their proposed building and the existing building will be a 10 ft. alley way. Mr. Thompson went on to say they've already improved this

property a lot and also improved the drainage to the lot. He said all the utilities will be underground with limited green space on the property.

Greg Mayes said he appreciated the illustrations, drawings, and samples that Mr. Thompson had brought with him.

Vice Chairman Clark asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak in favor of or against the proposal. There was no one so the public hearing was closed and opened up to the Board for discussion.

John Hart made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness application for Murray Electric System at 204 North 4th Street as presented. John Resig seconded the motion and the motion carried. *Chris Clark abstained from voting.*

John Resig made a motion to adjourn. Greg Mayes seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman, Chris Clark

Recording Secretary, Candace Dowdy